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Services today for Walter Leffel, 78

Walter Emerson Leffel, 78, of 212 South Harrison Street, died Monday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Services will be held today at 11 a.m. at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church with Rev. Herbert Schumm officiating. Calling will be one hour before the services at the church. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Cemetery. McKee-Miles Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials are to the donor's choice.

Mr. Leffel was born Feb. 21, 1920, in Denver, Ind. His parents were Albert and Elizabeth (Hoover) Leffel. He and Ruby Jane Williams were married June 21, 1947, in Columbus, Ohio. She preceded him in death on Feb. 3, 1997. Mr. Leffel was a retired International Harvester worker where he was employed for 34 years. He retired in 1980.

Survivors include one daughter, Blinda Leffel of Garrett; and six sisters, May DeWalt of Peru, Evelyn Black of Avilla, Wilma Sanders of Metropolis, Mo., Hazel Ridyard and Ethel Lang, both of Redding, Calif., and Mirrian Schultz of South Milford. One sister preceded him in death.

Jan 11 - 1999

Calling today for William Thrush

William Thrush, 53, of Garrett, died Saturday afternoon at St. Margaret's Hospital in Hammond.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Services will be at the funeral home at 1 p.m. Tuesday with Rev. Curt Brincefield officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Chapel Cemetery with military services by the Garrett American Legion.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the D.A.R.E. program.

Mr. Thrush was born March 11, 1945, in Garrett. His parents are Albert and Dorothy Thrush, both surviving in Garrett. He and Diana Shilling were married June 4, 1966, in Fort Wayne. She survives. He was a truck driver for Grammer Industries in Grammer. Mr. Thrush served in the U.S. Navy during the Viet Nam Conflict. He was a member of the Garrett American Legion and Garrett Eagles.

Surviving with his wife and parents is a brother, Denny Thrush, also of Garrett.

Jan 14 - 1999

Services held for Oleda DeLauder

Oleda DeLauder, 75, died Jan. 8 at her home in Phillipi, W. Va.

Private services were held last Saturday in Phillipi. Burial was in St. Joseph Chapel Cemetery.

Mrs. DeLauder was preceded in death by her parents, Stanley and Pearl (Bryan) DeLauder, one brother, Carl DeLauder, and three sisters, Myrtle DeLauder, Auldeen DeLauder and Vera Poling.

Survivors include one daughter, Beverly Snyder of Phillipi; two grandchildren; five brothers, Winfield and Randolph DeLauder of Garrett, Andy and Donald DeLauder of Auburn and Denver DeLauder of Bellington, W. Va.; and three sisters, Lueray Weaver of Butler, Velvadeen DeLauder of Phillipi and Virginia Capacola of Clarksburg, W. Va.

Services held for Phyllis O'Brien

Phyllis I. O'Brien, 72, of New Carlisle, died Jan. 12 at 6:41 a.m. at St. Anthony Memorial Health Center. She formerly lived in Garrett.

Services were held last week at Carlisle Funeral Home with Rev. Greg Enstrom officiating. Cremation followed.

Mrs. O'Brien was born Sept. 24, 1926, in Michigan City. Her parents were Hugh O. and Angie (Beck) Barnes. She and Robert W. O'Brien were married on May 22, 1948, in Jackson, Mich. He preceded her in death. Mrs. O'Brien was an employee of American Home Foods for nine years.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Robert W. and Ethel O'Brien of Ruby, Va., and Thomas E. and Patricia O'Brien of Paris, Ill.; two daughters and sons-in-law, Ruth M. and John Wormley of Omaha, Neb., and Patty K. and Peter Tombasco of Grayslake, Ill.; two brothers, Paul and Richard Barnes; six sisters, Della Hutton of Garrett, Margaret Gunn, Alice Roth, Joanne Mielbeck, Kate Werner and Shirley Krickhahn; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one brother.

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Services Friday for Marguerite Quattlebaum

Marguerite Quattlebaum, 89, died Monday at her home in Arlington, Va.

Services will be held Friday at 11:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Fr. Thom Lombardi officiating. Friends may call one hour before the service at the church. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. McKee-Miles Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be given to St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Mrs. Quattlebaum was born Oct. 14, 1909, in Garrett. Her parents were Eugene F. and Estella (Moorhouse) Vogeding. She graduated with honors from Indiana University with a major in Library Science. She married Charles A. Quattlebaum following college and they both worked for the Library of Congress.

Mrs. Quattlebaum and her husband traveled during their retirement years until his death in 1989. Mrs. Quattlebaum was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Arlington, Va.

Survivors include four nephews, Michael (Mick) Steward and David Steward, both of Kendallville, Stephen Steward of Grabill and Gregory Steward of Littleton, Colo; and one niece, Rebecca Claxton of Garrett.

Mrs. Quattlebaum was preceded in death by one sister, Mary Kathryn Steward.

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Services today for R. Dale Harris, 81

R. Dale Harris, 81, of Auburn, died Tuesday at 1:55 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor in Garrett.

Services will be held today at 11 a.m. at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Auburn, with Fr. David Carkenord officiating. Burial will be in the Auburn Catholic Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to Masses at the church, the Catholic Cemetery Fund, or the Alzheimer's Foundation.

Mr. Harris was born March 27, 1917, in Auburn. His parents were Henry and Louise (Berg) Harris. He and Vella Mae Webb were married Sept. 28, 1940, in Auburn. She preceded him in death on Aug. 4, 1984. He retired in 1982 after 30 years at Warner Gear in Auburn. Mr. Harris was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Army. He was a member of the American Legion Post 97 in Auburn and the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Harve and Marilee Harris of Auburn; a daughter and son-in-law, Carol and Tim Musser of Waterloo; a son-in-law, James B. Mason of Auburn; a sister, Hilda Keefer of Garrett; seven grandchildren, Sarah Musser, Emily Prosser, Amie Cramer, Angie Mason, Chris Mason, David Harris and Julie Holwerda; and three great-grandchildren, Haley Prosser, Mason Cramer and Tyler Holwerda.

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Services today for Dr. Paul Trausch

Dr. Paul M. Trausch, 77, died Tuesday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held today at 7 p.m. at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 500 East Seventh Street, Auburn, with calling one hour prior to the service. McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be given to the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, American Heart Association or American Red Cross.

Dr. Trausch was a podiatrist in Auburn for many years. He served as chairman of the American Red Cross and chairman of the American Heart Association, DeKalb County Unit. He was a member of the Auburn Lions Club, American Legion, VFW and Salvation Army. He was a former Auburn city councilman and former Board of Works member. He also owned Martha's Popcorn Stand and was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

There are no survivors.

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Calling today for John "Bob" Capin

John R. "Bob" Capin, 75, of Fort Wayne, died Tuesday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Elzey & Haggard Home for Funerals, 6810 Old Trail Road, Fort Wayne. Services will be held Friday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be in Covington Memorial Gardens, Fort Wayne.

Memorials may be given to Cancer Services of Allen County.

Mr. Capin was born March 33, 1923, in Fort Wayne. His wife, Margaret Ann, preceded him in death on July 9, 1981. He was a cabinet maker and retired in 1984 from Waynedale Lumber Co. Mr. Capin was a member of the Waynedale Masonic Lodge and a past master, the American Legion Post 241 and Past Guardian of Waynedale Job's Daughters. In was involved in ham radio, golfing and fishing as pastimes.

Survivors include one daughter, Dr. Patricia A. Sellers of Fort Wayne; one son, John Richard Capin of Yorktown, Va.; one brother, Richard W. Capin of Garrett; and four grandchildren.

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Services Friday for Martha H. Wappes

Martha H. Wappes, 62, of Churubusco, died Tuesday at 3:30 a.m. at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at the Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco with Pastor Marvin Troyer officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Friday, one hour prior to the service. Burial will be in the Fairview Cemetery, Huntertown.

Memorials may be directed to the American Cancer Society.

Mrs. Wappes was born in Boston, Mass., on Aug. 17, 1936. Her parents were Heston Hart and Marrianna Smith Hile. She moved to Fort Wayne as a child with her parents and graduated from Northside High School in 1955. On Sept. 8, 1956, she was united in marriage in Fort Wayne to James W. Wappes, Sr., and moved to Churubusco. She was employed at Dana Corp. in Churubusco for 27 years, retiring in 1996.

Survivors include her husband, James; a son and daughter-in-law, James, Jr. and Denise Wappes of Fort Wayne; a daughter and son-in-law, Myra and Michael Maroney of New Haven; a stepdaughter and son-in-law, Sherry and James Woodward of Garrett; her mother Marianna Hile of Sarasota, Fla.; a sister and brother-in-law, Jo Ann B. and Mark Lee of Matthew, N.C.; and six grandsons.

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Services held for Doris Biltz, 78

Doris A. Biltz, 78, of Fort Wayne, died Tuesday at St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services were held Saturday at D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, Fort Wayne. Burial was in Highland Park Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to the Cancer Services of Allen County, 2925 East State Blvd., Fort Wayne, IN 46805.

Mrs. Biltz was born in Fort Wayne. She worked at General Electric for 432 years before retiring in 1982.

Survivors include her husband, Chester L. Biltz; four sons, James of Irmo, S.C., David and Gregory, both of Fort Wayne, and Larry of Garrett; two sisters, Jane Novick and Sharon Fox, both of Fort Wayne; a brother, Edward Hosler of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren and three-step-grandchildren.

Services today for Florence McHenry

Florence L. (Mac) McHenry, 88, of Spencerville, died Thursday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Services will be held today at the Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home in spencerville with Rev. Dale Gerig and Rev. Larry Watson officiating. Burial will be in the Leo Cemetery.

Memorials are to the Concord Fire Department, Spencerville Fire Department or Hospice Service of DeKalb County.

Mrs. McHenry was born April 1, 1910, in Noble County. Her parents were Alva and Serina Jane (Wheeler) Reed. She and Carrol W. McHenry were married on July 2, 1927, in Albion. He preceded her in death on Feb. 7, 1971. Mrs. McHenry retired from Lutheran Hospital after working 35 years as a pharmacist's assistant. She also worked at Parkview Hospital and Fort Wayne Methodist Hospital.

Survivors include one son, Jack E. McHenry of Garrett; two daughters, Mary K. (Shears) Tucker of Spencerville and Carolyn (Teddy) M. Delagrange of Harlan; one sister, Betty Cornewell of South Carolina; 17 grandchildren, 43 great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by three sisters, Violet VanWald, Pansy Gilbo and Bertha Ray, and two brothers, Harley Lemmon and Robert Reed.

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Calling today for Larry Farley, 49

Larry Farley, 49, of Hicksville, Ohio, died Monday at 2:55 p.m. at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient since Friday. He had been in failing health since May.

Friends may call today after 2 p.m. and Friday after 9 a.m. at Brown Funeral Home in Hicksville. Services will be held Friday at 2 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be in Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville.

Mr. Farley was born Dec. 16, 1949, in Big Springs, Ky. His parents were James "Tib" and Mintie (Hicks) Farley. He and Norma Rosebrock were married in Virginia on May 25, 1976. She survives. He was a construction worker and a Vietnam veteran. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Laura Schambers of Newville and Sarah Farley of Garrett; four brothers, Harold, James, Tommy and Jackie, all of Kentucky; eight sisters, Dorothy Spurlock of Arkansas, Carol Orick of Edgerton, Ohio, Sylvia Patton of Kentucky, Mavis Hicks of Corunna, Alice Triplet of Willard, Ohio, Lillie Slone of Kentucky, Billie Jack of Angola and Christine Hutchinson of Montpelier, Ohio; and two grandsons.

Two brothers, Ferrel and Elmer, preceded him in death.

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Services for Marguerite Quattlebaum were held Friday, Jan. 22, at 11:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Father Thom Lombardi officiating. Pallbearers were Mick Steward, Coleen Steward, Rebecca Claxton, Skip Claxton, David Steward and Stephen Steward. Services were directed by Dennis Sparks and Jarrod Kohn of McKee-Miles Funeral Home.

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Feb 1 1999

Services today for Keith Williams

Keith B. "Barney" Williams, 86, of rural Bryan, Ohio, died Thursday at his home.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. today at Krill Funeral Home, Edgerton, Ohio. Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Edgerton, with military graveside rites by the John D. Smith Post 10 of the American Legion in Edgerton.

Memorials may be given to the Community Hospitals of Williams County-Hospice Care.

Mr. Williams was born in Montpelier. He worked for Bard Manufacturing in Bryan and retired after more than 30 years. He was a World War II army veteran was a past commander of the American Legion Post 10 in Edgerton.

His first wife, Wilma, died in 1991.

Survivors include his wife, Eunice; six stepdaughters, Theta Fitzcharles of Inglewood, Fla., JoAnn Icenhower of Edgerton, Linda Byers and Jane Norrick, both of Bryan, Debra Balogh and Jackie McKenzie, both of Edgerton; three stepsons, Donald Elliott of Garrett, Leland Chaney of New Haven and Donald Chaney of Edgerton; 32 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a stepson, Vernard Elliott.

Services Wednesday for Jeanette Souder

Jeanette S. Souder, 80, died Saturday at Miller's Merry Manor in Garrett.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Rev. Paul Burris and Rev. Bill Lyne officiating. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn. Calling will be Tuesday from 2-5 and 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be given to Indian Village Church of God.

Mrs. Souder was born Aug. 8, 1918, in Orange Township, Noble County. Her parents were James and Pearl (Bowman) Harp. They formerly lived in Garrett on West King Street. She and Albert Souder were married Dec. 18, 1937, in Kendallville. He preceded her in death on Dec. 23, 1990. She retired in 1983 as a cook at the DeKalb County Home, where she worked 10 years.

Survivors include one son, Jeffery Souder of Garrett; one daughter, Kim Newcome of Lake Havasu, Ariz.; one nephew, James Harp of Fort Wayne; seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Thomas J. Souder; one brother, Doyle Harp; and two sisters, Madge Suoboda and Florence Brandeberry.

Feb 4 1999

Services held for Frances E. Davis

Frances E. Davis, 85, died Sunday at 6:40 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor in Garrett.

Services were held Tuesday at Thomas Funeral Home with Lloyd Mealer officiating. Burial was in Riverview Cemetery, Churubusco.

Mrs. Davis was born April 16, 1913, in Eel River Township. Her parents were Sidney and Grace (Knight) Johnson. She was a lifelong Churubusco resident. Mrs. Davis retired from General Electric in Fort Wayne after 28 years of service as a winder.

Survivors include two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Davis was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph H. Davis; one son, Wayne A. Davis; one sister, Hazel Gray; and one brother, Paul Johnson.

Feb 8 - 1999

Calling today for Robert Isenbarger

Robert Thomas Isenbarger, prominent Garrett community figure, died at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, Saturday morning at 12:03 a.m. with family and friends by his side.

Mr. Isenbarger was born in Fort Wayne on July 22, 1920, to Lee and Faye (Johnson) Isenbarger. He married Mary Alice Caley in the West Creighton Church of Christ, Fort Wayne, on March 22, 1947, and she survives along with their daughter and son-in-law, Roxanne and Fred Hall of Garrett, granddaughter, Kimberly, grandson, Jonathon, great-grandson, Brant, and son and daughter-in-law, David and Susan Isenbarger, granddaughter, Caley, and grandson, Greg, of Two Rivers, Wisc. A sister and brother-in-law, Jean and Kent Garman of Avilla, and brother and sister-in-law, Richard and Sharon Isenbarger of Leesburg, Fla., also survive. Brothers Francis, Lee and Jack Isenbarger, sisters Mildred Krock, Nancy Herring and Dorothy Isenbarger, preceded him in death.

Mr. Isenbarger retired in 1985 as manager of the DeKalb County Advertiser in Garrett. He had come to the Garrett area through the Cook Coffee Company as a route salesman and was later employed with Charles Ort and Company for 17 years.

He was very active in the community, serving for 25 years in the Garrett Boys Baseball program through coaching and as an officer, also serving as President of the Garrett Merchants Association. He was honored with the Garrett Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year in 1985.

Mr. Isenbarger was a member of the First Church of Christ in Garrett and there served as teacher for the youth and adult classes. He served in many capacities and as chairman of the Deacons, President of his Amicus Class and also served on the church Mission Committee. He enjoyed and was a member of the church XYZ's group.

Calling will be at McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. The funeral will be held at the First Church of Christ, Garrett, on Tuesday morning at 11 a.m. with burial following in the Christian Union Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the First Church of Christ Missions Committee or the church library.

Garrett resident, Carl Howiler, dies

Carl K. Howiler, 79, of Garrett, died Friday, Feb. 5, 1999, at The Laurels of DeKalb in Butler. Born in Barnesville, Ohio, on July 6, 1919, he was a railway mail clerk and retired as a clerk from the Fort Wayne Post Office in 1974 after 30 years of combined service.

He was a veteran of World War II, having served in the European theater of operations and was a member of the Garrett American Legion.

He is survived by his wife, Eileen; one son, Terry, of Garrett; and two granddaughters, Heather of Naperville, Ill., and Heidi of Garrett.

Private services with no calling at his request. Arrangements made by Feller Funeral Home of Waterloo. Memorials to Northeastern Indiana Kidney Center or the American Heart Association.

Services today for Lucile Guthrie, 86

Lucile Mae Guthrie, 86, died Thursday at Golden Years Homestead in Fort Wayne.

Services will be held today at 11 a.m. at D.O. McComb & Sons Maplewood Park Funeral Home, 4017 Maplecrest Road, Fort Wayne, with calling one hour before the service. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Cemetery, south of Garrett.

Memorials may be given to St. Joseph United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Guthrie was born near Harlan and was a homemaker. Her husband, Robert, died in 1971. They lived near LaOtto and later at Crooked Lake, Angola. She was a member of St. Joseph United Methodist Church.

Survivors include one son, Thomas Guthrie and his wife, Judy; two granddaughters, Jody Weber of Springboro, Ohio, and Michelle Guthrie of Indianapolis; and one great-grandchild, Michael Thomas Weber.

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Services held for Rose Krock, 62

Rose M. Krock, 62, of Fort Wayne, died Sunday at the home of her daughter.

Services were held Wednesday at C.M. Sloan & Sons Funeral Home. Burial was in Lindenwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Krock was born in Fort Wayne and was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Ronald; two daughters, Mona Potter and Kimberly Bender, both of Fort Wayne; two sons, Monty Evans of Fort Wayne and Chris Evans of Garrett; her mother, Lexie Eubank of Fort Wayne; a brother, Robert Wheaton of Fort Wayne; and seven grandchildren.

Calling Friday for Walter L. Lung

Walter L. Lung, 88, died Wednesday morning at his home south of Garrett.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren with Rev. John McFarland officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the Gideons of Visiting Nurse Service and Hospice Inc., Fort Wayne.

Mr. Lung was born June 23, 1910, in Benzonia, Mich. His parents were Albert and Cathryn (Frisby) Lung. He and Lucille Bradley were married June 4, 1935, at the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren. She survives.

Mr. Lung was a school teacher for 40 years at York Center Elementary School in Noble County. He also taught in Whitley and DeKalb Counties. In addition, he was the owner/operator of the 205 Garden Market for 45 years. Mr. Lung was a member of the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren and was honored last year as being the oldest member with 78 years of active service. He also was a member of Gideons International and the Indiana Association of Retired Teachers.

Surviving with his wife are two sons, Jan Lung of Angola and Larry Lung of New Palestine; one daughter, Marsha Laundre of South Haven, Miss.; 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Chester Lung.

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Services Tuesday for Mrs. Edith Soudah

Edith Joan Soudah, 90, died Friday at Sacred Heart Home, Avilla.

Services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Garrett Presbyterian Church with calling two hours before the services. Rev. Elizabeth Morgan will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of arrangements.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the church.

Mrs. Soudah was born Sept. 5, 1908, in Chicago. Her parents were Harold and Hilda (Goranson) Ebenholtz. She and Rev. Peter Soudah were married in Chicago on June 19, 1933. He preceded her in death in May of 1972. He has pastored for over 50 years, serving the Garrett Presbyterian Church from 1946 to 1968.

Mrs. Soudah was a school teacher, having taught at Radford College in Virginia. She also taught in Michigan and Indiana for several years. She taught in Ashley for 11 years and then taught in Avilla until her retirement in 1971.

Survivors include one son, Dr. John R. Soudah, and daughter-in-law, Katherine Campbell-Soudah, of Merriville; and five grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one son, Harold, in 1985.

Services today for Carl Grimm, 94

Carl C. Grimm, 94, of Sebring, Fla., died last Thursday.

Services will be held today at Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home in Sebring with Rev. John Dorr officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, north of Garrett.

Mr. Grimm was born in Garrett. He was a conductor on the B & O Railroad. He lived in Garrett until moving to Sebring in 1969.

Survivors include his wife, Bernadine Grimm, one son, R. Ed Mortorff of Fort Wayne; two grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

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Services held for Harry Blevins

Harry Blevins, 89, of Auburn, died Saturday at 4:45 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor where he had resided for the past four years.

Services were held Wednesday at the Auburn Church of the Nazarene. Burial was in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn. McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the church or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Mr. Blevins was born Aug. 12, 1909, in Avilla. His parents were Charles and Rose (Pfister) Blevins. He and Esther I. Goe were married on Feb. 16, 1929, in Auburn. She preceded him in death on Jan. 18, 1990.

Mr. Blevins was the former owner of Cricket's Tavern in Auburn.

Survivors include one son, Charles E. Blevins of Auburn; four daughters, Betty J. Dyer of Garrett, Helen J. (Mrs. Jack) Sanders of Auburn, Rebecca I. (Mrs. William) Meyers of Angola, and Rosetta I. (Mrs. Robert) Vollmer of Fort Wayne; 14 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Bill, Art, George and Robert; and four sisters, Hazel Hartman, Ida Shock, Helen Hawk and Florence Hackenburg.

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Services held for Bobbie Greenwell

Bobbie Greenwell, 70, died Thursday at 8:45 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor in Garrett.

Services were held Saturday at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with D.V. Dillinger officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Greenwell was born Aug. 17, 1928, in Hippo, Ky. Her parents were Willie and Margaret (Bailey) Ousley. She and Paul Greenwell were married Aug. 20, 1951, in Pleasant Lake. He survives in Auburn. She was a homemaker.

Surviving with her husband are one son, Thomas Greenwell of Auburn; one daughter and son-in-law, Kathy and Ronald Remke of Auburn; two brothers and a sister-in-law, Oscar Ousley of Garrett and Charles and Donna Ousley of Auburn; four sisters and brothers-in-law, Marie and Allie Jones of Garrett, Norma and Charlie Jones of Kendallville, Ioma and Alonzo Jones of Corunna and Sandra and Delmer Handshoe of Garrett.

One sister, Lucy Ousley, and one brother, Rady Ousley, preceded her in death.

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Services Thursday for Effie Wagner

Effie M. Wagner, 85, of Garrett, died Saturday at 3:52 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Services will be Thursday at 2 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home with calling two hours prior to the services. Pastor Larry Williams will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to the DeKalb County Heart Fund.

Mrs. Wagner was born Nov. 14, 1913, in Niles, Mich. Her parents were John and Dolly (Barhydt) Mapes. She and Walter J. Wagner were married March 13, 1933, in Kendallville. He preceded her in death on Sept. 13, 1987. She was a homemaker and a Garrett resident for 24 years.

Survivors include one daughter, Elsie Simmons of Garrett; one sister, Mae Gillingham of Elkhart, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Private services held for Nancy Handshoe

Nancy L. Handshoe, 53, of Auburn, died Wednesday at 1:57 p.m. at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Private memorial services were held Saturday at the First Church of Christ in Garrett with Lloyd Mealer officiating. Feller Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be given to the family trust fund, in care of the Garrett State Bank.

Mrs. Handshoe was born Aug. 26, 1945, in Garrett. Her mother, Lorraine (Carper) Henderson, survives in Garrett. Her father, Gerald Henderson, is deceased. She and Thelmer Handshoe were married on Oct. 20, 1998, in Auburn. He survives.

Surviving with her mother and husband are one son and daughter-in-law, Richard L. and Renee Hogan of Garrett; four daughters, Ginger L. Purdue of Indianapolis, Christy Snook of Garrett, Penny Clevenger of Auburn, and Beth Sloan of Garrett; two stepsons, Todd Kennedy and Wendy Kennedy, both of Auburn; two stepdaughters, Tonya Gonser of Auburn and Tina Kennedy of Garrett; three brothers, Gerald Henderson and Ray Henderson, both of Waterloo, and John Henderson of Garrett; three sisters, Mary Ann Fugate, Rosemary Leach and Laura Strack, all of Garrett; 14 grandchildren and eight step-grandchildren.

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Services held for DeWayne Freed

DeWayne G. Freed, 60, of Corunna, died Saturday at 3:55 p.m. at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services were held Wednesday at the Full Independent Gospel Church, Ashley, with Pastor Sam Weimer officiating. Burial was in Fairfield Cemetery, Corunna. Feller Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be directed to the church.

Mr. Freed was born Sept. 13, 1938, in Noble County. His parents are Robert and Virginia (Lindsey) Freed. They survive. He and Linda Taylor were married Feb. 15, 1974. She also survives. Mr. Freed was a machine operator and formerly worked at Hy-Matic Co. in Kendallville. He was a member of the Full Independent Gospel Church in Ashley.

Surviving with his wife and parents are five sons, Gary Freed of Cooney, Ohio, Denver Freed of Ashley, Donald Freed of Angola, Tyler Freed, at home, and Glenn Freed of Kendallville; one daughter, Rebecca Collins of Kendallville; one brother, Charles Freed of Garrett; two sisters, Joyce Davis of Garrett and Lois Fuller of Auburn; and eight grandchildren.

One son, Jeffrey, preceded him in death.

Services held for Jesse F. Picklesimer

Jesse F. Picklesimer, 71, of 511 South Johnson Street, died Sunday at 11 p.m. at his home.

Services were held Wednesday evening at Thomas Funeral Home with Dr. William N. Hodge officiating. Graveside services will be Friday at 1 p.m. in the Vernon Cemetery in Vernon. There will be calling from 12:30-1 p.m. on Friday at the cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the DeKalb County Cancer Society.

Mr. Picklesimer was born May 15, 1927, in Brownstown. His parents were Harry K. and Annabelle (Sutton) Picklesimer. He and Marie McIntosh were married June 18, 1955, in Washington, Ind. She survives. He was a World War II Navy Veteran and worked on the B & O Railroad as a telegrapher for 26 years, retiring in 1989. He was the former owner of Pick's Restaurant in North Vernon.. Mr. Picklesimer was a charter member of the V.F.W. in North Vernon.

Surviving with his wife are two sons, Youvat "Yogi" Lee Picklesimer of Garrett and Dean Edward Picklesimer of West Bloomfield, Mich.; one daughter, Cindy Kay Creager of Holiday, Fla.; two grandchildren, three cousins, four nieces, four nephews and 14 great-nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Harry K. Picklesimer.

Services held for former teacher, Helen Ellert

Helen M. Ellert, 92, of Ashley, died Saturday at 6 a.m. at her home.

Services were held Tuesday at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Waterloo, with Fr. David Carkenord and Fr. Matthew Lyne officiating. Burial was in St. Michael's Cemetery. Feller Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be given in her name to DeKalb Memorial Home Health Care, the DeKalb County Cancer Society or Masses at the church.

Miss Ellert was born Aug. 22, 1906, in Orland. Her parents were Michael and Amelia (Blomeke) Ellert.

She was a teacher in the Garrett schools for 22 years, retiring in 1971. She also taught at two Smithfield Township country schools, and Ashley and Lakeville schools. She taught for a total of 46 years.

Miss Ellert was a member of the St. Michael's Catholic Church and its Rosary Society, St. Anne's Study Club, Harvest House and the Retired Teachers Association.

Survivors include one brother, Fred Ellert of Ashley; two nieces, Ann Brown of Fort Wayne and Jeanne Steigmeyer of Keannasua, Ga.; and one nephew, Robert Gace of Decatur.

One sister, Pauline Gace, preceded her in death.

Services today for Dorothy McPheeters

Dorothy Irene McPheeters, 73, of 406 North Randolph Street, died Monday at 8:29 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Services will be at 11 a.m. today at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with calling from 10 a.m. until time of the services. Pastor Larry Smith will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials may be given in her memory to the Arthritis Foundation.

Mrs. McPheeters was born Oct. 7, 1925, in DeKalb County. Her parents were James and Bertha (Betts) Owen. She and Jack G. McPheeters were married April 5, 1947, in Auburn. He survives. She previously worked at the Garrett Community Hospital for 15 years as a nurses aide. Mrs. McPheeters was a member of the Ladies Eagles Auxiliary and V.F.W. Ladies Auxiliary.

Surviving with her husband are one son, Jack G. McPheeters II of Garrett; one daughter, Diana Howard of Auburn; three granddaughters, Monica Howard of Auburn, Heather Wogoman of Middlebury and Kimberly Humphries of Florida; two sisters, Rozella Dembickie of Garrett and Sadie Grate of Ashley; two great-grandsons and two great-granddaughters.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Harold "Buck" Owen and Russell Owen.

March 1, 1999

Services today for Calamanda Nixon

Calamanda Nixon, 85, of 404 South Guilford Street, died Wednesday at 9:26 p.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services will be held today at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Fr. Thom Lombardi officiating. Calling will be at the church from 10 a.m. until time of the service. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Rosary services were held Sunday evening at McKee-Miles Funeral Home.

Memorials in her memory may be given to St. Joseph Catholic School or Masses.

Mrs. Nixon was born April 1, 1913, in Fort Wayne. Her parents were John and Helen (Deutich) Biedrzycki. She and Robert E. Nixon were married Sept. 16, 1940, at St. Joseph Church. He preceded her in death. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and the Rosary Society.

Survivors include four nieces, Virgilia Schlotterer of Garrett, Barbara Overy of Luther, Mich., Dolores Kurtz of Fowler and Susan Severson of LaOtto; four great-nieces and great-nephews and nine great-great-nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Nixon was preceded in death by seven brothers, Francis, Paul, Thomas, Joseph, John, Theodore and Anthony Biedrzycki; two sisters, Mary Schlotterer and Sister Cassimara, and one nephew, Thomas Schlotterer.

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Services Saturday for Robert Dawson

Robert E. Dawson, 67, of Scottsdale, Ariz., died suddenly Tuesday at his home.

Services will be held Saturday at the Scottsdale United Methodist Church in Scottsdale. Calling will be on Friday from 6-8 p.m. at Messinger Mortuary Chapel.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Scottsdale United Methodist Church, 4140 North Miller Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85251, or the American Heart Association.

Mr. Dawson was born in Corunna. His parents were Harvey and Fern Dawson. His wife is the former Marilyn Haffner. She survives. He was a member of the 1951 graduating class at Garrett High School. He was an aerospace engineer with Allied Signal for 33 years, retiring in 1992. He was a member of the Scottsdale Lions Club and Scottsdale United Methodist Church.

Surviving with his wife are one daughter, Deanna of Palm Springs, Calif.; two sons, Randy of Phoenix, Ariz., and Rick of Scottsdale, Ariz.; his twin sister, Roberta Jordan of Garrett, another sister, Beverly Coburn of Seattle, Wash.; one brother, Bill Dawson of Cincinnati, Ohio; and nine grandchildren.

Services held for Evaline M. Nason

Evaline M. Nason, 90, died Saturday at Miller's Merry Manor in Fort Wayne.

Services were held Tuesday at Catholic Cemetery Chapel in Fort Wayne. Burial was in Catholic Cemetery. D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be given in her memory to a charity of the donor's choice.

Mrs. Nason was born in Medford, Wisc. She was a registered nurse with the American Red Cross for 13 years and retired in 1973. She was a member of St. Jude Catholic Church, Fort Wayne Women's Club and Daughters of Isabella.

Survivors include one son, Bruce Nason of Spring, Tex.; and two grandchildren.

One daughter, Nancy Drabek, preceded her in death.

Graveside service set for Donald Putt

Donald E. Putt, 74, died Sunday at Indian River Memorial Hospital in Vero Beach, Fla. He was a former Garrett resident.

Graveside services will be held Friday at 2 p.m. at Christian Union Cemetery with Dr. R. Larry Smith officiating. McKee-Miles Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

Memorials may be given to the family.

Mr. Putt was born April 17, 1924, in Garrett. His parents were Douglas and Earlene Putt.

Survivors include his wife, Claudette Putt; two sons, Larry Putt of South Bend and Jerry Putt of Clearwater, Fla.; one daughter, Sally Jo Kohler of Webster, N.Y.; one stepson, Christopher Helms of Nappanee; one brother, Douglas Putt of Goshen; and one uncle, Robert Kruse of Connecticut.

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Services held for Edwin Smeltzer

Edwin F. Smeltzer, 69, of Fort Wayne, died Wednesday morning at the home of his son in Harlan.

Services were held Friday at Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville with Pastor Steve Wagner officiating.

Mr. Smeltzer was born Dec. 18, 1929. His parents were Earl and Lucille (Sonner) Smeltzer. He was a groundskeeper for the Fort Wayne City Park Board and retired in 1992. He was a Korean War veteran of the U.S. Air Force and a member of the National Rifle Association.

Survivors include two sons, Ted Smeltzer of Harlan and Dan Smeltzer of Fort Wayne; four daughters, Lois Smeltzer of Fort Wayne, Megan Blain of Otter Lake, Janet Carl of Geneva, Ill., and Shelia Padilla of Calumet City, Ill.; one brother, Kenneth Smeltzer of Garrett; 12 grandchildren; and his former wife, Betty McCombs of Fort Wayne.

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Doug Fites and grandson killed in tragic accident

Former Principal at DeKalb High School, D. Doug Fites, 66, and his grandson, Charlie Fewell, 11, as well as an Indiana State Trooper died in a tragic accident along the Indiana Toll Road last Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Fites was principal at DeKalb High School from 1975 to 1990.

The accident occurred at about 2:15 p.m. Thursday when Fites was stopped along the Toll Road near South Bend. The State Trooper car was also parked along the roadway when a semi-tractor hit the State Police car and then landed on top of Fites' vehicle.

Nancy Fites, 62, and their granddaughter, Kaitlyn Fewell, 9, were also in the vehicle. They were taken to St. Joseph's Regional Medical center, where Mrs. Fites was treated and released. Kaitlyn was listed in stable condition. A State Trooper passenger was also taken to the hospital in serious condition.

Services for Mr. Fites are pending at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

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Services today for Mary Brewer, 80

Mary Margaret Brewer, 80, died Wednesday, March 3.

Services will be held today at 1 p.m. at the Southeast Church of the Nazarene, in Tallmadge, Ohio, with Dr. George A. Hazlett officiating. Calling will be one hour before the services at the church. Burial will be at Hillside Memorial Park. Adams-Mason Memorial Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Brewer was born Dec. 7, 1918, in Buchtel, Ohio. Her parents were Grover Cleveland and Alice Jessie (Conley) Day. She and Wesley Edward Brewer were married May 15, 1938. He preceded her in death in 1970. She attended the Goodyear Heights and Tallmadge Nazarene Church.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Rev. Daniel and Carolyn Brewer of Chiclayo, Peru, and Samuel and Kim Brewer of Garrett; one daughter and son-in-law, Jodie and Jon Kromroy of St. George, Utah; three sisters, Viola Cain, Doris Powell and Marjorie Talkington, all of the Akron, Ohio, area; three brothers, John Day and David Day, both of the Akron area, and Charles Day of Florida; 10 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Carolyn Brenner, one infant son, Thomas Brewer, and three sisters, Molly Carman, Jean Farnsworth and Leona Day.

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Calling today for Robert Bohler

Robert E. Bohler, 60, of Fremont, died Friday at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Friends may call today from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Services will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery, Corunna.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the American Cancer Society.

Mr. Bohler was born in Waterloo. He worked at Navistar in Springfield, Ohio, for 32 years, retiring in 1975.

Survivors include his fiancee, Lola Fairchild; three sons, Greg Bohler of Garrett, Mark Bohler of Corunna and Adrian Fairchild of Garrett; two daughters, Amy Upp-Wilson of Michigan and Valarie Fairchild of Chicago; a brother, Everett Bohler of Helmer; two sisters, Phyllis Dunn of Angola and Thelma Myers of Auburn; and five grandchildren.

Graveside services set for Kaitlin Miller

Kaitlin Miller, 2 months old, died Friday at her home in Spencerville.

Graveside services will be held Tuesday at 1 p.m. at Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn. There is no calling. McComb, Dilgard, Cline Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Kaitlin is survived by her parents, Sandra and Paul Miller; three sisters, Courtney, Megan and Cassie; grandparents, Dean Baker of Spencerville, Linda Brumbaugh of Garrett nd Vickie and Ray Miller of Connersville; nd her great-grandmother, Merian McNamara of Auburn.

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Services today for Edith Mae Miller

Edith Mae Miller, 71, of Waterloo, died Sunday at 10:50 p.m. at her home.

Services will be held today at 10 a.m. at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo, with Fr. David Carkenord officiating. Burial will be in St. Michael's Cemetery.

Memorials may be given in her memory to Masses at the church or DeKalb Memorial Hospice.

Mrs. Miller was born April 29, 1927, in Garrett. Her parents were Arthur H. and Sarah A. (Foster) Woodcock. She and Ambrose Miller were married on Feb. 12, 1947, in Garrett. He survives.

Mrs. Miller was a member of St. Michael's Church, the Rosary Altar Society, the St. Rose of Lima Study Club, Waterloo VFW Auxiliary and the Hobby Club and Shuffleboard Club in Zephyrhills, Fla.

Surviving with her husband are four sons, James A. Miller and Max A. Miller, both of Waterloo, David J. Miller of Summerville, S.C., and Richard L. Miller of Fort Wayne; one daughter, Anita M. Senesac of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Roger G. Woodcock of Corunna and Ralph A. Woodcock of Santa Barbara, Calif.; three sisters, Margaret Truman of California, Patricia Sutton of Fort Wayne and Florence Berndt of Fremont; and 13 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Stanley A. Miller; two brothers, Alfred and Arthur Woodcock; and one sister, Charlotte Shutt.

Chuck Stoner, 53

Charles Jay "Chuck" Stoner, 53, of 5502 CR 1, LaOtto, died Monday near his home in a tractor accident.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home and one hour before the service which will be at 1 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials may be directed to the family.

Mr. Stoner was born Oct. 20, 1945, in Fort Wayne. His parents were Arthur Jay and Hilda C. (Hoeppner) Stoner. He and Marjorie A. Rothgeb were married Oct. 14, 1966, in Hoagland. She survives. He was a Vietnam Army Veteran. Mr. Stoner was a self-employed machinist after retiring from National Plastics in October with 28 years of service.

Surviving with his wife are two sons, Bill Stoner of Fort Wayne and Dan Stoner of Auburn; and one daughter, Susie Stoner of LaOtto.

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Services today for Cora E. Black, 91

Cora E. Black, 91, of CR 27, Auburn, died last Sunday at 11:50 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Services will be today at 2 p.m. at the Methodist Church in Roann with Rev. Bob Armstrong officiating. Calling will be two hours prior to the services. Burial will be in Roann Community Cemetery. McCloskey-Hamilton-Gundrum Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Black was born Dec. 24, 1907, in French Lick. She and Kenneth L. Black were married Sept. 1, 1950, in Valporaiso. He preceded her in death on Feb. 25, 1989.

Survivors include two daughters, Judith Elaine Horn of Auburn and Gloria Jean Cordill of Roanoke; three grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

Esther Whittecar

Esther Marie Whittecar, 95, died Monday at 10:30 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn. She formerly lived in Garrett.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Services will be held Friday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorials may be given in her memory to the American Heart Association.

Mrs. Whittecar was born Jan. 14, 1904, in Avilla. Her parents were Joseph and Caroline (Dapp) Deuitch. She and Myron E. Whittecar were married on June 11, 1921. He preceded her in death on April 4, 1973.

Survivors include two sons, Eugene Whittecar of LaGrange and James S. Whittecar of Auburn; one daughter, Shirley Emenhiser of Auburn; 11 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

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Calling Friday for Ida Mae Slentz, 97

Ida Mae Slentz, 97, died Tuesday at 12 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Friends may call Friday from 3-7 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home. Services will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. at the funeral home with Larry Williams officiating. Burial will be in the Eddy Cemetery, Hamilton.

Memorials may be given in her memory to Miller's Merry Manor.

Mrs. Slentz was born April 24, 1901, in Hudson. Her parents were Marshall L. and Mary Mae (Conkle) Andrews. She worked in Chicago at the Walnut Room in Marshall Fields. She was preceded in death by her husband, Loren J. Slentz; one brother, Claude Andrews and one sister, Vesta Birdena Brandon.

Survivors include a sister, Blanche Williams; and several nieces and nephews.

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Calling Tuesday for Rex A. Hart, 32

Rex A. Hart, 32, of 7640 North & 750 West, Orland, died Saturday at 4 a.m. in DeMoines, Iowa.

Friends may call Tuesday from 6-9 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo. Services will be Wednesday at 3 p.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Ralph Diehl officiating.

Memorials may be given to the family in care of Feller Funeral Home.

Mr. Hart was born Nov. 15, 1966, in Fort Wayne. His parents are Sonny Fugate of Fort Wayne and Carol (Hart) Mettert of Fort Wayne. He and Jennifer Harpel were married June 21, 1997, in Orland. She survives. He was a carpenter for Arbuckle Construction in Bloomington, Minn.

Surviving with his wife and parents are a two daughters, Abby Hart and Megan Hart; two stepdaughters, Kaira Roland and Stephanie Roland; six brothers, Keith Hart and Scott McLaughlin, both of Fort Wayne, James McLaughlin of Stryker, Ohio, Sonny Fugate Jr. of Auburn, and Max Fugate and Terry Fugate, both of Garrett; and five sisters, Carol Fender, Ginger McLaughlin and Angela McLaughlin, all of Angola, Jennie Fender of Waterloo, and Amanda Meyers of Decatur.

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Services Tuesday for Robert Wilhelm, 80

Robert J. Wilhelm 80, died Friday, March 5, at 4:50 p.m. at his home in Fort Wayne.

A memorial service will be held Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the Plymouth Congregational Church in Fort Wayne with Pastor John Gardner officiating. Burial will be at a later date in LaPorte. There is no calling. Thomas Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Wilhelm was born Aug. 19, 1918, in Indianapolis. His parents were Leo C. and Alice (Brown) Wilhelm. He had worked as a dishwasher at the Venice Restaurant in Fort Wayne.

Survivors include a brother, Norman Wilhelm of Charlotte, N.C.; and his foster mother and father, Joe and Shawn Bartels, of Fort Wayne.

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Former Garrett Mayor Phil VanDerbosch dies

Former Garrett Mayor Philip R. VanDerbosch, 75, died Tuesday at 4 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor in Garrett.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. and Friday from 11:30a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home. Services will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Church at 1 p.m. with Fr. Nathaniel Reeves officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery with military graveside services by the Garrett American Legion.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in his memory may be given to the Garrett Volunteer Fire Department.

Mr. VanDerbosch was born Sept. 2, 1923, in Garrett. His parents were Herman H. and Frances (Heinlen) VanDerbosch. He and Kathryn "Kate" R. Miller were married on Jan. 18, 1947, in Garrett. She survives.

Mr. VanDerbosch served as Mayor of Garrett from 1980-1984. He was a manufactures Representative for Mack Shreve & Associates for 25 years, selling fishing products such as Creek Chub Bait and for the Zebco Rod/Reel Company. He served as vice-president of the company for eight years.

Mr. VanDerbosch was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church in Garrett, the Garrett American Legion, VFW, Elks and Eagles.

He was an Army Air Corp veteran of World War II, flying 30 missions over Germany in a B-17 bomber, the Skylark. Mr. VanDerbosch was awarded the distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with three oak cluster. He also received the European African Middle Eastern Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal and *31 Aviation Air Crew Badge.

Surviving with his wife are four sons, Terry VanDerbosch of Elyria, Ohio, Philip L. VanDerbosch of Auburn, David VanDerbosch of Garrett and Tim VanDerbosch of Las Vagas, Nev.; one daughter, Lori delos Reyes of Fremont, Calif.; two sisters, Mildred Shreve of Fort Wayne and Gloria Kaake of Atlanta, Ga.; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Lucille Reeves and Margaret Gremeno.

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Services pending for Edward Zanetto, 89

Edward Zanetto, 89, died Thursday, March 11, at 2:40 a.m. at Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana. He formerly lived at Holiday Lakes, near Garrett.

Graveside services will be held at a later date at Cedar Creek Cemetery, Garrett. There is no calling. Hockemeyer & Miller Funeral Home, Fort Wayne, is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Zanetto was born Nov. 11, 1909, in St. Louis, Mo. His parents were Charles and Irma (Veneis) Zanetto. His wife, Dorothy, preceded him in death in 1988. He was an engineer for the B & O Railroad for 45 years until his retirement in 1974. He was a member of the Gilham lodge 809 F.&A.M. in Mulberry Grove, Ill., and a life member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

Survivors include one niece, Patricia Nodine of Garrett; two nephews, James Gay of Knoxville, Tenn., and David Gay of Pendleton; and several great-nieces and nephews.

Services Friday for Russell F. Lyon, 91

Russell F. Lyon, 91, died Monday in Butler.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler. Services will be held Friday at 11 a.m. at the Coburn Corners Church of Christ. Burial will be in Riverview Cemetery, Newville.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the church.

Mr. Lyon was born in Butler and was a farmer. His wife, Iola I., preceded him in death in 1994.

Survivors include four sons, Russell Jr. of Huntertown, Leland of Ashland, Ore., DeVon of Auburn and Victor of Marion, Ohio,; one daughter, Loretta Kaiser of Butler; 17 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, three step-great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild and three step-great-great-grandchildren.

Services held for Paul Bowman, 75

Paul E. Bowman, 75, of Fort Wayne, died Saturday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services were held Wednesday at D.O. McComb & Sons Foster Park Funeral Home, Fort Wayne. Burial was in Covington Memorial Gardens with graveside services by the American Legion Post 296.

Memorials in his memory may be directed to the Muscular Dystrophy Association or the VA Medical Center.

Mr. Bowman was an Auburn native and had lived in Fort Wayne most of his life. He retired in 1979 from Conrail were he worked as a train conductor for 38 years.

Survivors include two daughters, Sandra Seebig of Fort Wayne and Lori Bowman Franks of Louisville, Ky.; five sons, Kenny Kleeberg of Hudson, Stanley Kleeberg of Huntertown, Michael Kleeberg and Douglas Bowman, both of Fort Wayne, and Dave Bowman of Wolcottville; three sisters, Dorothy Van of Columbia City, Judy Helmuth of Fort Wayne, and Maxine Campbell of Auburn; two brothers, Arlo "Dub" Bowman of Auburn and Bob Bowman of Garrett; 16 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Frances L. Bowman in 1994; a son, Donald; and a brother, Wayne.

Services Friday for Ruth L. Cleveland

Ruth L. Cleveland, 91, died Monday at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Avenue, Fort Wayne. Calling will be from 5-9 p.m. today. Burial will be in Concordia Cemetery Gardens.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the American Heart Association.

Mrs. Cleveland was born in Chicago. She was a homemaker. She was preceded in death by her husband, Earl, in 1973.

Survivors include two sons, Richard E. Cleveland of Garrett and James H. Cleveland of Churubusco; a daughter, Ruth Carol Wirtz of Spring Hill, Fla.; seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Services held for Lillian Hazeltine

Lillian Hazeltine, 44, of Arlington, Mass., died Friday, March 19, at her home.

Memorial services were held in the Keefe Funeral Home in Arlington on Wednesday.

Memorials in her memory may be directed to Mahey Clinic, Oncology Department, Atten: Philanthropy Dept., 41 Mall Road, Burlington, MA 01805.

Survivors include her husband, Charles Hazeltine, formerly of Garrett; her father, Gham Chong; two sons, Lee and Max; one daughter, Kim; two sisters, Geanie Nichel of California and Barbara Royce of North Carolina.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Mary Chong, and one daughter, Tisa.

Services set for Edmund Busch

Edmund Busch, 83, of Hudson, died Monday at Select Specialty Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Graveside services will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery with Jeremy Russell officiating.

Mr. Busch was born April 19, 1915, in Fairfield Township. His parents were albert G. and Mary (Voges) Busch. He and Elizabeth Kolbe were married Dec. 28, 1941, in Auburn. She preceded him in death. Mr. Busch was a World War II veteran. He retired from the B & O Railroad were he worked as a brakeman.

Survivors include one stepson, James Grate, and several nieces and nephews.

Calling Tuesday for Clara Sobasky

Clara Sobasky, 81, of Garrett, died Saturday at 10:50 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Friends may call from 2-8 p.m. Tuesday at Thomas Funeral Home. Services will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Herbert Schumm officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Mrs. Sobasky was born Dec. 13, 1917, in Garrett. Her parents were Carl and Elizabeth (Bartels) Diederick. She and Michael E. Sobasky were married in Garrett on May, 1955. He died March 27. Her first husband, Kenneth R. Bowman, died in 1951. She was a homemaker and member of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Survivors include two sons, Edward Bowman and Robert Bowman, both of Fort Wayne, a daughter, Patricia Weaver of Garrett; two sisters, Elaine Nihart of Hamilton, and LaVonne Hendrickson of Paynesville, Ohio; eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Kenneth Bowman Jr., and two sisters, Donna J. Walter and Dorothy Clady.

Calling Tuesday for Michael Sobasky

Michael E. Sobasky, 74, of Garrett, died Saturday at 11:42 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Friends may call from 2-8 p.m. Tuesday at Thomas Funeral Home. Services will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Herbert Schumm officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery with military graveside services by the Garrett American Legion and VFW.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Mr. Sobasky was born April 9, 1924, in Garrett. His parents were Louis and Mary Sobasky. He and Clara Bowman were married in May, 1955. She died March 27. He worked as a foreman at Garrett Flexible for over 30 years and worked at Ort's Furniture for 35 years. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church. Mr. Sobasky was a World War II Army Air Corp veteran and later an Air Force Veteran. He was a member of the Garrett American Legion and V.F.W.

Survivors include two sons, Edward and Robert Bowman of Fort Wayne; one daughter, Patricia Weaver of Garrett; one sister, Ruth Mitchell of Auburn; one sister-in-law, Dollie Sobasky of Fort Wayne; one brother-in-law, Rival McBride of Garrett; one great-aunt, Leona Kester of Auburn; eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one step-son, Kenneth Bowman Jr.; three brothers, Joe, Louis and Richard Sobasky; and three sisters, Louise Bloom, Mary Cain and Digna McBride.

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Calling today for Robert N. Hughes

Robert N. Hughes, 87, of Auburn, died Saturday at Miller's Merry Manor in Garrett.

Friends may call today from 3-7 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Services will be held at the funeral home on Tuesday at 10 a.m. with Rev. William Haworth officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the First Presbyterian Church in Auburn or to the donor's choice.

Mr. Hughes was born April 23, 1911, in Garrett. His parents were Worthy and Eva (Smith) Hughes. He and Marie Sprott were married on July 8, 1934. She preceded him in death in 1997.

Mr. Hughes was co-owner of Hughes Drug Store in Garrett from 1929 to 1972. He also drove courtesy cars for Stanadyne in Garrett. He retired in 1976. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Auburn, the Garrett Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite and Garrett Elks.

Survivors include his chosen family, Victor and Ursula Ley of Avilla; a brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Joe and Virginia Sprott of Huntsville, Ark.; several nieces and nephews, including, David Sprott of Mobile, Ala., Michael Sprott of Section, Ala., Robert A. Nelson of Breckenridge, Colo., Sam Sprott of Lebanon, Mo., Jim Sprott of Harrison, Ark., Nancy Ward of Bradenton, Fla.; Sharon Rousch of Indian River, Mich., Tom Sprott of Prairie Village, Kans., Sharon Heston and Steve Sprott, both of Fort Wayne.

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Services today for John W. Ley

Well-known Avilla businessman, John W. Ley, 74, died Monday at 7:37 a.m. in a tragic car-train accident at the CSX crossing at C.R. 100 N, west of Avilla.

Services for Mr. Ley were held Wednesday at St. Mary's of the Assumption Catholic Church in Avilla with Rev. Daniel Durkin officiating. Burial was in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Avilla, with military graveside rites by the American Legion Post 240.

Memorials in his memory are to the National Kidney foundation or to St. Mary's Catholic School in Avilla.

Mr. Ley was born Oct. 19, 1924, in Avilla. His parents were William and Ethel (Aman) Ley. He and Margaret Marti were married on May 7, 1947, in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Kendallville. She survives. He graduated from Avilla High School in 1942, and was a paratrooper in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Mr. Ley was an active member at St. Mary's Church. He also was a 4th degree Knight of the Knights of Columbus, Garrett; and the American Legion Post 240 in Avilla.

He was president of Ley Monument Sales, Inc., in Avilla, the business he established in 1979. He built a new facility in the Avilla Industrial Park in 1984. He was known for his excellent workmanship. He was especially proud of his work on memorials to Vietnam and Korean War veterans in the Veterans National Memorial Shrine on O'Day Road near Fort Wayne.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter, Rita Eagleson of Naperville, Ill.; eight sons, Larry Ley of Zionsville; Phil Ley, Giles Ley, Bob Ley and Tony Ley, all of Avilla, Leo Ley of Naperville, Ill.; Vince Ley of Williamsburg, Kan., and Urban Ley of Kendallville; 17 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; a sister, Theresa Glasgow of Helmer; and three brothers, Charles Ley, Donald Ley and Victor Ley, all of Avilla.

He was preceded in death by a son, David, a daughter, Marianne; and a grandson, Dalton Ley.

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Norval Withrow dies in California

Norval Withrow, 68, died Tuesday, March 23, at his home in Solana Beach, Calif.

No services were held.

Mr. Withrow was born in Garrett on May 20, 1930. His parents were Norval and Georgia (Coburn) Withrow. He and his wife, Valerie, were married Jan. 27, 1973. She survives.

He was a 1948 graduate of Garrett High School and served in the Korean Conflict with the U.S. Navy. He received his bachelor of arts and master of arts degrees from Ball State University, and attended Indiana University. He taught music at Bemidji College in Minnesota and the University of Michigan, and taught music from kindergarten to college level for many years. He was also known in the San Diego, Calif., area for his art work.

Surviving with is wife are two sons, Samuel of Anderson and Fred of Indianapolis; one daughter, Julie of Bradenton, Fla.; one sister, Sue Michael of Auburn; and two grandchildren, Aaron and Hannah Withrow.

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Calling Tuesday for Reva Gingrich, 84

Reva F. Gingrich, 84, of Garrett, died at 6:05 p.m. Saturday at her home.

Friends may call on Tuesday from 2-8 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo. An Eastern Star service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home with Rev. John McFarland officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren.

Mrs. Gingrich was born May 26, 1914, in Paulding County, Ohio. Her parents were Roy and Orpha (Mills) Hill. She and Donald W. Gingrich were married July 1, 1939, in Kendallville. He preceded her in death on July 20, 1991. She was a bookkeeper for the City of Garrett and then worked in the office of Gardner Construction until her retirement in 1977.

Mrs. Gingrich was a member of the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren and Harmony Chapter of Eastern Star #67.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Jacqueline and James Knott of Garrett and Marcia and Jerald Chisholm of LaOtto; one brother, Victor Hill of Fort Wayne; one sister, Glenna Harnishfeger of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren, Jami Koble, Jeffrey Knott, Chris Chisholm and Leigh Anne Western; and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by three sisters, Erma Strouse, Freda Entriken and Lena Christlieb.

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Calling today for John DeWitt

(This obituary is being reprinted to provide additional information concerning the services and memorials.)

John W. DeWitt, 91, of Huntertown, died Tuesday, March 30, at Kingston Care Center, Fort Wayne.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 6, at D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, 1320 East Dupont Road. Calling will be from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today at the funeral home. The Masonic service by the Garrett City Lodge No. 537, will be at 7:30 p.m. this evening at the funeral home. Area Master Masons will depart from the Garrett Masonic Temple at 6:45 p.m. to attend the Masonic Services. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, north of Garrett.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Christine DeWitt Memorial Scholarship Fund or the Huntertown United Methodist Church, 16115 Lima Road, Huntertown, IN 46748.

Mr. DeWitt was born in DeKalb County on Feb. 10, 1908. His parents were Jay W. and Mattie M. (Mason) DeWitt. He was a general foreman with International Harvester Co. for 30 years. He was a member of Garrett City Lodge No. 537, F & AM.

Survivors include his wife, Opal DeWitt of Huntertown; son, Joe W. DeWitt of Ludlow Falls, Ohio; a daughter, Sally A. Clark of Bunker Hill; a step-son, Randall H. Houser, Jr., of Wolcottville; a step-daughter, Maxine L. Elwood of Coldwater, Mich.; a brother, Thomas L. DeWitt of Muncie; a sister, Evelyn Kolbe of Auburn; nine grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Wava DeWitt, in 1957, and a brother, Merton E. DeWitt.

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Services held for Robert Dudash

Robert E. Dudash, 72, of 2315 CR 40, Auburn, died Thursday, April 1, at 12:21 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Services were held Saturday at Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren with Pastor Don Shankster officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery. Thomas Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Garrett Lions Club or the donor's choice.

Mr. Dudash was born Nov. 10, 1926, in Chicago, Ill. His parents were Nick and Susie (Kovash) Dudash. He and Dona I. Myers were married July 10, 1955, in Garrett. She survives.

He and his wife were co-administrators at Sunny Meadows Residential Home for 15 years. He worked for WGL Radio in Fort Wayne and was radio personality "Bob Dean" on WAWK in Kendallville for over 20 years. He was a former Garrett resident and a World War II Army veteran.

Mr. Dudash was a member of the Jaycees, Garrett Lions Club and M.C. of the Miss Garrett Pageant from 1962-81. He was a member of the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Karen Dudash of Garrett and Susan Korchyk of Auburn; one son, John Dudash of Garrett; and two grandchildren.

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Calling today for June Campbell

E. June Campbell, 76, of LaOtto, died Thursday at 9:45 p.m. in the emergency room at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had resided at Miller's Merry Manor for the past two years.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco or at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in LaOtto one hour prior to the services. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday with Rev. Kathleen Kamerzell officiating. Burial will be in Huntertown Cemetery.

Memorials in her memory my be given to the Emmanuel Lutheran Church, LaOtto.

Mrs. Campbell was born Sept. 26, 1922, in Huntington. Her parents were Benjamin and Mae Prather (Thomson) Franklin. She and Bernard L. "Barney" Campbell were married on Sept. 26, 1941. He preceded her in death on June 13, 1996.

Mrs. Campbell was employed as a telephone operator for Sears Roebuck & Co., at Glenbrook Mall in Fort Wayne for 15 years, retiring in 1984. She was a member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in LaOtto, the LaOtto Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary and the Avilla American Legion Ladies Auxiliary.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Larry L. and Ellen Campbell of LaOtto; two daughters and sons-in-law, Constance and James Shirk of Angola and Wanda and Michael Davis of Avilla; two sisters, Ida Mae Gorez of Huntington and Bonnie Lou Dailey of Richmond; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one brother and two sisters.

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Services set for Rev. Delmar Newman

Rev. Delmar C. "Shorty" Newman, 82, of 1111 South Cowen Street, died Saturday at 5:45 a.m. at Provena Sacred Heart Home, Avilla.

Services will be held Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home with Dr. William N. Hodge officiating. Friends may call on Tuesday from 2-8 p.m. and one hour before the services at the funeral home. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the American Diabetes Association or the donor's choice.

Rev. Newman was born March 17, 1917, in Garrett. His parents were Charles R. and Frances A. (Lasch) Newman. He and Mary Minick were married Nov. 25, 1965, in Fort Wayne. She preceded him in death in 1991. He was a yardman on the B & O Railroad for over 30 years, retiring in 1977. He was a WW II Army veteran, serving in the Panama Canal. Rev. Newman was a member of the Garrett American Legion, VFW and the Nazarene Church in garrett.

Survivors include three stepsons, Carl Minick and Neil Minick, both of Fort Wayne, and Ken Minick of New Haven; three step-daughters, Marlene Haudenschild, Dorothy Sauter and Rita Nichter, all of Fort Wayne; three sisters, Naomi George of Auburn, Marjory Powell of Bluffton and Eleanor Borton of Eden, Ohio; 18 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Walter Newman.

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Calling Friday for June Winebrenner

Mary June Winebrenner, 70, of 510 South Cowen Street, died Tuesday at 1:08 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home. Services will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. at the funeral home with Pastor Jeremy Russell officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials in her memory may be given to Parkinson's Disease.

Mrs. Winebrenner was born June 25, 1928, in Garrett. Her parents were Claude D. and Mabel G. (Grogg) Yarde. She and Robert E. Winebrenner were married Nov. 11, 1978, in Auburn. He survives. She was a stenographer at Medical Protective in Fort Wayne for 24 years, retiring in 1983. She was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Auburn.

Surviving with her husband is one brother, Eugene Yarde of Garrett.

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Services held for Gladys Thompson

Gladys A. Thompson, 80, of Garrett, died Monday morning at Miller's Merry Manor.

Private family calling was held Tuesday with graveside services at 10 a.m. on Wednesday at Christian Union Cemetery with Rev. Daniel Hamlin officiating. Arrangements by Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville.

Memorials in her memory are to the American Lung Association of Northeast Indiana, 802 West Wayne Street, Fort Wayne, IN 46802, or the donor's choice.

Mrs. Thompson was born on Aug. 27, 1918, in Auburn. Her parents were Milo and Cora (Burroughs) Furnish. She and Darrell (Buck) Thompson were married July 25, 1936, in Kendallville. He preceded her in death on Nov. 5, 1978. Mrs. Thompson graduated from Garrett High School in 1936 and was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the U.T.U. & Eastern Star in Garrett.

Survivors include three daughters, Norma Smolek of Greencastle, Bette Vauris of Troy, Ohio, and Joan Sattison of Garrett; one son, Darrell D. Thompson of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Donald Furnish of LaGrange and Richard Furnish of Garrett; nine grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

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Calling Tuesday for George Wilmore, 78

George Albert "Jimmie" Wilmore, 78, of 246 East Washington Street, Dunkirk, died Saturday at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Friends may call at MJS Mortuaries, D.W. Jones Chapel, Dunkirk, on Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Services will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Jerry Nelson officiating. Burial will be in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Dunkirk.

Mr. Wilmore was born Nov. 26, 1920, in Saratoga, Ind. His parents were Homer and Pauline (Snyder) Wilmore. He is survived by his wife, Charlotte. He was employed in maintenance at Indiana Glass.

Mr. Wilmore was a member of the First American Baptist Church in Dunkirk and was a deacon. He also was a member of American Legion Post 227, Dunkirk, and the National Campers and Hikers. He was a Democrat Precinct committeeman, past president of Local 501 A.F.L. C.I.O., Dunkirk; Jay County Hospital Auxiliary in Portland and Jay County Hospital Prime Time; a former Boy Scout leader in Dunkirk; Jay County School Board member; Dunkirk City Councilman; a 1938 graduate of Redkey High School and a U.S. Navy Veteran.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Karen Williams of Dunkirk and Annette Thill of Bluffton; four sons, Michael of Kokomo, Brian and Gregory, both of Dunkirk and George of Garrett; three half-brothers, Jerry Wilmore of Muncie, Raymond Wilmore of Greenfield, and Ernest Wilmore of New Paris, Ohio; two half-sisters, Rebecca Smith of Orlando, Fla., and Roberta Herriford of Farmland; eight grandchildren; five step-grandchildren; five step-great-grandchildren; and an aunt, Florabelle Allen of Phoenix, Ariz.

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Services today for Violet Foster, 86

Violet G. Curtland Foster, 86, of Angola, died Monday at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital in Angola.

Services will be held today at 2 p.m. at Beams Funeral Home in Fremont with Rev. Kenny Boots officiating. Burial will be in Pleasant Lake Cemetery.

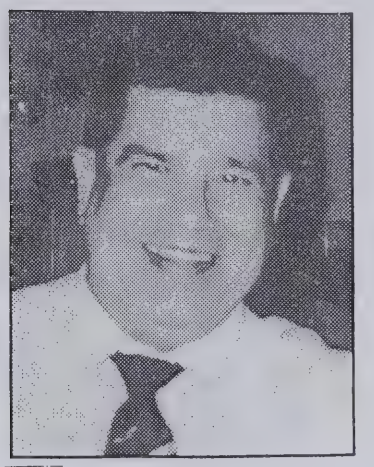
Memorials in her memory may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Mrs. Foster was born Feb. 26, 1913, in Illinois. Her parents were Ed and Alice Hill. She was a cook for many years at area restaurants and retired from the Hamilton House. She was a member of the Pentecostal Church of God of America in Angola.

Survivors include two daughters, Glenda Dove of Angola and Arlene Crager of Garrett; a brother, Tad Hill of Arizona; five grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her two husbands, Lester Curtland and Arthur Foster; and two sisters, Ione and Ruth.

Memorial service set for Larry Warstler



Larry D. Warstler, 52, of Coral Springs, Fla., died at his home April 26 after a long battle with cancer.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 1, at the Garrett Presbyterian Church at 3 p.m. Calling will be held preceding the service at 2:15 p.m. at the church. Rev. Elizabeth Morgan will officiate.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the American Cancer Society or Hospice.

Larry was born in Garrett on May 16, 1946, to Charles W. and Elsie Mae (Wilhelm) Warstler. He graduated from Garrett High School where he participated in the sports program and was a member of the 1964 Regional Basketball Championship team and assisted the football team in achieving an undefeated season. Larry attended Indiana State in Terre Haute. He continued his career in excellence by serving his country in the U.S. Navy as a Second Class Bos'n - Mate in Vietnam.

Larry embarked on a distinguished career with General Electric, working his way to the position of retail account sales manager, devoting 34 years to G.E.

Survivors include his wife, Connie Bell Warstler of Coral Springs; three sons, Mark Alan Warstler of Garrett, Douglas William Warstler and Erik David Warstler, both of Coral Springs; his father, Charles W. Warstler of Clermont, Fla., two brothers, Clarence Warstler and Mike Warstler, both of Garrett, and a sister, Charlotte Whetsell of Garrett.

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Tom Funk gives talk to Historical Society

Seated, Mrs. Norman Funk. Standing - Tom Funk and Sandra (Funk) Arvin.

Tom Funk, a former Garrett resident and now an attorney in Indianapolis, was the guest speaker at the recent Garrett Historical Society annual dinner meeting.

Tom, who is a member of the Indianapolis Literary Guild, presented the essay he had written concerning his childhood memories of the B & O Railroader and the effects it had on his family. His father, Norman T. Funk, came to Garrett to work on the railroad and went up the ladder of succession to become an engineer on a passenger train.

The title of the essay was "The Capitol Limited" and the era was around 1948 when Tom's memories took him back to the time President Harry Truman was going to come to Garrett on the Capitol Limited. Back in those days it was before television and you didn't see famous people everyday. Tom said, ". . . . ten years before we had a television set in our home."

The day a president of the United States was coming to Garrett was a special day for everyone, parents, grandparents and especially the kids. Tom said everyone turned out for the occasion. He said he was just four years old and sat on his father's shoulders for the big event.

When the train stopped just east of the depot, there stood President Truman along side Mayor Fred L. Feick, a former railroader until he was injured on the railroad while uncoupling train cars.

Funk went on the explain how Garrett began with the locating of the division point between Chicago and Williard, Ohio. The 50 acre site was purchased for $17,000. Garrett was platted in 1875 and named after John W. Garrett, the then president of the B & O Railroad Company.

As the number of jobs on the railroad grew, so did the town.

He said the train whistles that always sounded back in those days reminded us of why we are in Garrett. The Funk family lived on North Randolph Street. Tom said the morning walks to school and the stop at the railroad crossing was a part of the normal day. They generally knew the railroaders on the train who waved to them as they waited on the crossing to clear. Tom said the "Railroad dominated our lives."

The Funk family lived the railroad life until Mr. Funk died at the Willard YMCA while waiting on his call to bring a train back to Garrett.

The more than 60 in attendance at the meeting enjoyed Tom's essay and the wonderful memories of days long ago.

Also attending the meeting were Tom's mother and sister, Mrs. Norman (Ethel Mae) Funk and Sandra Arvin.

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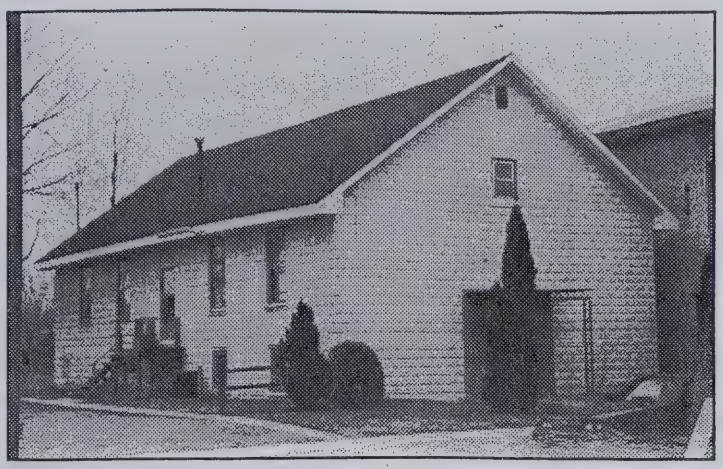
DeKalb Genealogy Society starts church records project



The Macedonia Baptist Church in Garrett.

The DeKalb County Genealogy Society is currently collecting information on past and present DeKalb County area churches, such as the old Macedonia Baptist Church in Garrett.

The Macedonia Baptist Church was started in 1919 by Rev. Alonzo Doster, and is located on West King Street in Garrett. It was later disbanded, and the building is now used for apartments. This church was known as an African-American church.

The purpose of this project is to try and preserve as much of these churches legacy as possible, particularly on the churches that no longer exist. Items of interest include a church history, a list of past ministers, marriages, church mergers, associations and social groups, baptisms and deaths.

If anyone has any information on any of the bygone churches, please contact the Society at: DeKalb County Indiana Genealogy Society, Church Historical Committee, Eckhart Public Library, 603 South Jackson Street, Auburn, IN 46706.

The DeKalb County Indiana Genealogy Society meets the fourth Sunday of every month at 2 p.m. at the Eckhart Public Library, and the public is welcome to attend.

Calling Tuesday for Robert VanLear, 78

Robert M. VanLear, 78, died Saturday at 8:32 p.m. at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Friends may call on Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home, Jacobs Chapel, in Monroeville. Services will be Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be in Monroeville Memorial Cemetery with military graveside services by the American Legion and VFW Color Guard.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Monroeville EMS or the donor's choice.

Mr. VanLear was born Aug. 10, 1920, in Garrett. His parents were Harry and Florence (Sampson) VanLear. He and Marjorie E. Erickson were married Dec. 4, 1942, in Garrett. She survives. He was a member of the Monroeville United Methodist Church and a veteran of World War II, serving in the USMC in the Pacific where he attained the rank of SSgt. Mr. VanLear was retired from International Harvester after 33 years as a production worker.

Surviving with his wife are one daughter, Cheryl S. VanLear of Madison, Wisc.; two sons, Robert W. VanLear of Monroeville and Michael A. VanLear of Grove, Okla.; two sisters, Marcella Clabaugh of Garrett and Mrs. Lloyd (Pat) Turnball of Hicksville, Ohio; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services today for Esther K. Fitch, 99

Esther K. Fitch, 99, died Thursday at 11:55 p.m. at Betz Nursing Home in Auburn.

Services will be held today at 1 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Rev. David Furlough officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Chapel Cemetery, south of Garrett.

Mrs. Fitch was born April 28, 1999 in Spencerville. Her parents were John R. and Vienna (Shilling) Doll. She and Otis Fitch were married Dec. 30, 1926, in Spencerville. He preceded her in death in 1976. Mrs. Fitch formerly lived in Garrett and was a member of the Altar Star United Methodist Church.

Survivors include one son, Warren Fitch of Fort Wayne; one daughter, Maxine Ober of Temple Taris, Fla.; 10 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, one brother and one sister.

May 3 - 1999

Betty Zmyslony dies at age 77

Betty B. Zmyslony, 77, died Saturday at 9:23 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Thomas Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Zmyslony was born March 29, 1922, in Garrett. Her parents were Edward D. and Isabelle (Slifer) Rahrig. She and Robert J. Zmyslony were married on June 14, 1947, in Garrett. He survives. She was a member of the Garrett Elks and VFW Auxiliary. Mrs. Zmyslony worked in assembly at Creek Chub Bait in Garrett for 10 years.

Surviving with her husband are one son, Robert J. Zmyslony II; and two grandchildren Dominick and Nicole Zmyslony, both of Garrett.

She was preceded in death by one son, Mark.

May 6 - 1999

Calling today for Helen Vodde Dicke

Helen M. Vodde Dicke, 86, died Monday at her home in Fort Wayne.

Friends may call from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today at Mungovan & Sons Memorial Chapel, 2114 South Calhoun Street, Fort Wayne. A Vigil service will be held at 7:30 p.m. this evening in the funeral home. A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. Friday at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 1120 South Calhoun Street. Burial will be in Catholic Cemetery.

Memorials in her memory may be given to Heartland Home Health Care & Hospice.

Mrs. Dicke was born in Fort Wayne. She was an inspector with Coverall Rental and retired in 1979. She was a member of Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

Survivors include one son, Ronald W. Dicke of Auburn; one daughter, Carolyn a. Dove of Kendallville; a sister, Dorothy Littlefield of Fort Wayne; a sister-in-law, Hilda Bennett of Fort Wayne; nine grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Memorial services set for Grace Fraze

Grace M. Fraze, 88, of Garrett, died Feb. 20 in Sebring, Fla., where she and her husband had been visiting their son.

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, May 12, at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Mrs. Fraze was born in Kendallville and was a former surgical nurse. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Garrett. Mrs. Fraze was instrumental in creating the Bargain Box, a thrift store to provide clothing for the needy. She also served many years as the treasurer to the Garrett Eagles Auxiliary and served the ill and homebound.

Survivors include her husband, D.W. (Nick) Fraze; two sons, Doug Fraze of Sebring and Jan Fraze of Otter Lake; one daughter, Nicci Korff of Fort Wayne; and seven grandchildren.

May 6 - 1999

Calling Friday for Betty A. Miller, 66

Betty A. Miller, 66, of Spencerville, died Wednesday at the Courtland Health and Rehabilitation Center in Fort Wayne.

Friends may call from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. on Friday at Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville. Services will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday at the Spencerville United Methodist Church with Pastor Mark Hambrock officiating. Burial will be in White City Cemetery, Spencerville.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the Spencerville United Methodist Church or to the Spencerville Fire Department.

Mrs. Miller was born on Jan. 2, 1933, to Wayne L. Akey and the late Elizabeth (Moore) Akey Stemen in Allen County. She married Ron L. Miller on Oct. 29, 1949, in Spencerville. She was a homemaker and a member of the Spencerville United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Ron L. Miller; her father, Wayne L. Akey of Fort Wayne; one son, Ron L. Miller, Jr. of Garrett; four daughters, Sandra J. Williamson of Antwerp, Ohio, Christine J. Miller and Delores L. Spencer, both of Auburn, and Kathlyne A. Hernandez of Jupiter, Fla.; 11 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; six brothers, Wayne L. Akey Jr. of Charleston, W. Va., Michael Stemen of Elida, Ohio, Mark Akey, Bart Akey and Scott Akey, all of Fort Wayne, and Frank Akey of West Lafayette; and two sisters, Patricia A. Paschen of Portage and Mary Ann Smith of Hamilton.

Calling today for Don E. Treesh, 69

Don E. Treesh, 69, of Garrett, died at his home at 2:40 a.m. Saturday.

Friends may call at Thomas Funeral Home today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Services will be held Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the funeral home with Pastor Steven Hailfich officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the DeKalb Memorial Hospice.

Mr. Treesh was born June 19, 1929, in Corunna. His parents were Dale D. and Wilma (Grate) Treesh. He and Joan V. Fechner were married on March 18, 1952, in Garrett. She survives. He worked as a service manager at International Harvester Sales and Service in Fort Wayne for 29 years. He was an Army veteran, serving in the Korean War. Mr. Treesh was a member of Maplegrove United Methodist Church in rural Auburn.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Rebecca Bloom of Auburn and Roxanne Walter, and her husband, Steven, of Garrett; one brother, Allan Treesh of Fort Wayne; two sisters, Roine Danclovic of Albuquerque, N.M., and Darleen Dalby of Arlington, Tex.; and five grandsons, Michael, Matthew and Toby Walter, all of Garrett, and Kristopher and Patrick Bloom of Auburn.

He was preceded in death by two sons, Michael David Treesh and Patrick Anthony Treesh.

May 10 - 1999

May 13 - 1999

Services today for Lula Belle Prater

Lula Belle Prater, 86 of Kendallville, died Sunday at 12:50 p.m. at the home of her daughter.

Services will be held today at 11 a.m. at Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Ellis Crum of the Kendallville Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be in Lisbon Cemetery.

Mrs. Prater was born in Louisa, Ky., on Nov. 6, 1912. Her parents were Clayton and Cora (Fraley) Thompson. She and Jobie Prater were married May 22, 1930. He preceded her in death on June 4, 1985.

Survivors include six daughters, Mrs. Aaron (Barb) Sexton, Mrs. Dale (Joyce) Reade and Mrs. Mark (Diane) Reid, all of Kendallville, Mrs. Hank (Brenda) Ochoa of Butler, Mrs. Dan (Janice) Simmons of Wolcottville, and Mrs. Jack (Billie) Rowe of Louisville, Ky.; 10 sons, Gene Prater of Douglasville, Ga., Don Prater of Allen, Ky., Dockie Prater of Kentucky, Sonny Prater, address unknown, Joseph Prater, Ted Prater and Richard Prater, all of Kendallville, David Prater of Rome City, Ron Prater of Corunna, and Mike Prater of Garrett; three sisters, Myrle Daniels and Lena Robinette, both of Ohio, and Corrine Childers of Kentucky; a brother, Junior Thompson of Kentucky; 34 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two daughters, three brothers and a sister.

May 17 - 1999

Calling Tuesday for Leah M. Johnson

Leah M. Johnson, 80, of rural Garrett, died Sunday at 6:11 p.m. at her home.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home. Services will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at Calvary Temple, Fort Wayne with Bishop Paul E. Paino officiating. Calling will also be one hour before the services. Burial will be in Riverview Cemetery, Eel River.

Memorials in her memory may be given to DeKalb Hospice.

Mrs. Johnson was born April 17, 1919, in Churubusco. Her parents were Arly and Eva (Bosler) Smith. She and Oscar "Lee" Johnson were married Dec. 18, 1938. He survives. Mrs. Johnson retired in 1978 from North American Van Lines were she was a secretary for 10 years.

Survivors include four sons and daughters-in-law, Ken and Darlene Johnson of Redlands, Calif., Larry and Marge Johnson of Angola, Fay and Chris Johnson of Urbana, Ohio, and Rex Johnson of Hudson; one daughter and son-in-law, Kay and Bob Bugert of LaOtto; one brother, Melvin Smith of Garrett; one sister, Gladys Gift of Auburn; 15 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two grandchildren.

Services today for Helen I. Ternet, 77

Helen I. Ternet, 77, a resident of rural Avilla, died at 2:52 a.m. on Friday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. today in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Ege with Father Danney Pinto, the celebrant. Interment will be in St. Mary's Cemetery in Avilla.

Memorials in her memory may be given to Masses.

Mrs. Ternet was born on April 29, 1922, in Fort Wayne. Her parents were Frank and Martha (Kniffen) Lewis. She spent all of her formative years in Allen County, and graduated from Leo High School in 1941. She and Clifford O. Ternet were married on Aug. 8, 1942. He survives.

A member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church at Ege, she was also a member of its Rosary Society, and the Avilla American Legion Post Ladies Auxiliary.

Surviving with her husband are a daughter and son-in-law, Kathryn and Jerry Strowmatt and another daughter, Carol S. Ternet, all of Avilla; five sons and daughters-in-law, Jack C. and Sandra Ternet and Billy A. and Loretta Ternet, all of LaOtto, Neal F. and Garree Ternet of Tri-Lakes, Ned O. and Rita Ternet of Garrett, and Ted O. and Carnille Ternet of South Whitley; a sister, Martha Heath of Fort Wayne, and another sister and brother-in-law, Dorothy and Raymond Brooks of Palatine, Ill.; and two brothers and sisters-in-law, Clayton and Jean Lewis of Rome City, and Donald and Jacque Lewis of Phoenix, Ariz. There are 28 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandson.

She was preceded in death by a granddaughter, two brothers and one sister.

Services held for Nancy Barnett

Nancy I. Barnett, 59, of Fort Wayne, died Wednesday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services were held Saturday at D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, Fort Wayne. Burial was in Covington Memorial Gardens.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the family.

Mrs. Barnett was born in Antwerp, Ohio. She retired in 1987 from Magnavox Corp., where she worked for 11 years.

Survivors include her husband, Roger R. Barnett; her mother, Betty L. Foltz of Avilla; three daughters, Vicki L. Knipstein of Auburn, Cindi L. Holly and Lori S. Stiewig, both of Fort Wayne; three sons, James T. Curtis of Kearneysville, W. Va., Gary G. Curtis of Fort Wayne and Scott L. Barnett of Fort Wayne; a sister, Sandra S. Fowler of Fort Wayne; three brothers, Robert W. Keirns Jr. of Fort Wayne, Gregory Foltz of Garrett and Jeffery Foltz of Avilla; and nine grandchildren.

One son preceded her in death.

May 17-1999

Services held for Ronald Siples, 67

Ronald L. Siples, 67, of Garrett, died Wednesday at 10:26 p.m. at his home.

Services were held Saturday at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Farther Tom Lombardi officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be given to DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Siples was born Oct. 9, 1931, in Fort Wayne. His parents were Ralph and Theresa (Songer) Siples. He and Marlene Kaliker were married on June 25, 1951, in Lake Worth, Fla. She survives.

He and his wife formerly owned the Auburn Dairy Freeze and the Backway Inn in Garrett. He was also a commercial plasterer for 35 years.

Surviving with his wife are six children, Randy Siples of Yoder, Jeff Siples of Fort Wayne, Keith Siples of Avilla, Theresa Bolen of Wolcottville, Beth Bohn of Bountiful, Utah, and Greg Siples of Running Springs, Calif.; four sisters, Patricia Bender of West Palm Beach, Fla., Lorraine Jefferson of Fort Wayne, Barbara Hillier of Fort Wayne and Mary Smith of Las Vegas, Nev.; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

May 20-1999

Services pending for Dr. Lorin Harrison

Dr. Lorin E. Harrison, 85, of Garrett, died Wednesday at Miller's Merry Manor.

Services are pending at Thomas Funeral Home.

Dr. Harrison was born Oct. 17, 1913, in Grand Island, Neb. His parents were Elliot and Edith (Huxtable) Harrison. He and Marjorie Lyndoe were married June 1, 1935, in Grand Island. She survives. He was a WW II U.S. Navy veteran as a Lt. Commander, serving as an engineering officer.

Dr. Harrison retired as an engineer from the Burlington Railroad, having worked from 1936-1969. He was a minister at Lily Lake, St. Charles, Ill.; St. John's, Palantine, Ill.; First Congregational, Marseilles, Ill.; retiring in 1979 after ministering for 22 years. He was the associate pastor at St. John's United Church of Christ in Ashley after moving to Indiana.

He was a member of the Marseilles, Ill., Masonic Lodge; Scottish Rite, Bloomington, Ill.; Mohammed Shrine, Peoria, Ill.; Past Master and secretary of Marseilles Lodge, Chaplain of the Garrett Masonic Lodge; member of the Garrett Ministerial Association and treasurer for Community Care in Garrett.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Lillian Myers of Auburn and Lorine Scroggins of Longview, Tex.; seven grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Craig Harrison.

Privates services set for Guy S. Black, 87

Guy S. Black, 87, of Avilla, died Tuesday at 1:30 a.m. at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Private graveside services will be held at Cedar Creek Cemetery with Rev. Duane Stidham officiating. There is no calling. McKee-Miles Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in his memory may be directed to Parkview Hospital Foundation.

Mr. Black was born Dec. 16, 1911, in Green Township in Noble County. His parents were Ira John and Bessie (Summers) Black. He and Evelyn F. Leffel were married on April 12, 1941, in Jefferson County. She survives. He was a millwright at International Harvester until his retirement. Mr. Black was a WWII veteran and a member of the American Legion.

Surviving with his wife are one daughter, Janis Zumbrun of rural Albion; one son, John Black of Kendallville; three granddaughters, Andrea Zumbrun and Kelly Zumbrun, both of Fort Wayne, and Rebecca Zumbrun of rural Albion; and one grandson, Dennis Zumbrun of rural Albion.

He was preceded in death by one son, Dennis W. Black, two brothers and one sister.

Services Wednesday for Betty Zmyslony

Betty B. Zmyslony, 77, of 1331 South Randolph Street, died Saturday, May 1, at 9:23 a.m. at DeKalb memorial Hospital.

Services will be at St. Joseph Catholic Church on Wednesday, May 19, at 9 a.m. with Father Thom Lombardi officiating. Burial will be at Christian Union Cemetery. There will be no calling. Thomas Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Zmyslony was born March 29, 1922, in Garrett. Her parents were Edward D. and Isabelle (Slifer) Rahrig. She and Robert J. Zmyslony were married on June 14, 1947, in Garrett. He survives. She was a member of the Garrett Elks and VFW Auxiliary. She worked in assembly at Creek Chub Bait in Garrett for 10 years, retiring in 1983.

Surviving with her husband are one son, Robert J. Zmyslony II of Garrett; and two grandchildren, Dominick and Nicole Zmyslony of Garrett.

She was preceded in death by one son, Mark.

May 20-1999

Calling Friday for James A. Freeze

James Allen Freeze, 59, of Garrett died at 6:40 a.m. Wednesday at his home.

Services will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Feller Funeral Home Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. and one hour before the services on Saturday. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be given to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Mr. Freeze was born Nov. 12, 1939, in Garrett. His parents are John and Genieve (Reavis) Freeze. They survive in Garrett. He and Diane Faith Wilcox were married in Garrett on May 12, 1960. She survives. He was retired as a gear tester at Dana Corp., Fort Wayne, in 1997 after 30 years of service.

He was also known as "The Rock Man" for his extensive collection of rocks displayed on the grounds around his home on East King Street.

Surviving with his parents and wife are one son and daughter-in-law, Bryan and Shawn Freeze of LaGrange; one brother, John "Jack" Freeze of Garrett; two sisters, Linda L. Davis of Garrett and Debra Lynn Boyd of Auburn; two grandchildren, Lyle and Stephanie Freeze; and three step-grandchildren, Adam, Araina and Gabriele Mishler.

May 24-1999

Services held for Dr. Lorin Harrison

Dr. Lorin E. Harrison, 85, of Garrett, died Wednesday at Miller's Merry Manor.

Services were held Saturday at Thomas Funeral Home with Rev. Norman Conklin officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the donor's choice.

Dr. Harrison was born Oct. 17, 1913, in Grand Island, Neb. His parents were Elliot and Edith (Huxtable) Harrison. He and Marjorie Lyndoe were married June 1, 1935, in Grand Island. She survives. He was a WW II U.S. Navy veteran as a Lt. Commander, serving as an engineering officer.

Dr. Harrison retired as an engineer from the Burlington Railroad, having worked from 1936-1969. He was a minister at Lily Lake, St. Charles, Ill..; St. John's, Palantine, Ill.; First Congregational, Marseilles, Ill.; retiring in 1979 after ministering for 22 years. He was the associate pastor at St. John's United Church of Christ in Ashley after moving to Indiana.

He was a member of the Marseilles, Ill., Masonic Lodge; Scottish Rite, Bloomington, Ill.; Mohammed Shrine, Peoria, Ill.; Past Master and secretary of Marseilles Lodge, Chaplain of the Garrett Masonic Lodge; member of the Garrett Ministerial Association and treasurer for Community Care in Garrett.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Lillian Myers of Auburn and Lorine Scroggins of Longview, Tex.; seven grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Craig Harrison.

Calling Tuesday for Doris L. DePew, 79

Doris L. DePew, 79, of Auburn, died at 12:30 a.m. Saturday at Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Services will be held Wednesday 2 p.m. at the funeral home with Andrew Higle officiating. Burial will be in Embrey Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the donor's choice.

Mrs. DePew was born March 18, 1920, in Auburn. Her parents were William and Mable (Williams) Refner. She and Edward N. DePew were married April 30, 1938, in St. Joe. He preceded her in death.

Survivors include two sons, Thomas DePew and Steven DePew, both of Auburn; one brother, Stanley Refner of Mishawaka and one sister, Vivian Gerst of Auburn.

She was preceded in death by two sons, David and Michael; one brother, Willard Refner, and one sister, Mary Ellen Bailey.

May 27-1999

Calling Friday for Delmer Shirley, 70

Delmer G. Shirley, 70, of 410 East Covell Street, died Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Friends may call at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Services will be held Saturday at the funeral home at 11 a.m. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery with graveside services by the Waterloo VFW/

Memorials in his memory may be given to the American Cancer Society.

Mr. Shirley was born May 13, 1929, in DeSota, Ill. His parents were Melvin and Arlene (Correll) Shirley. He and Marjorie J. Tarlton were married March 17, 1951, in LaGrange. She survives.

He was a brakeman for the CSX Railroad for 27½ years, retiring in 1987. He was a member of the Waterloo VFW, Avilla American Legion, the Eagles and the Kendallville Moose.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Barbara Reis of Waterloo and Sharon Miller of Olncy Springs, Colo.; one stepson, Jim Prince of Fremont; two brothers, Don Shirley of North Liberty and Charles Shirley of Shipshewana; three sisters, Hilda Jane Inks and Emma Inks, both of Lenor City, Tenn., and Norma Gaut of Plymouth; ten grandchildren and one great grandchild.

He was preceded in death by two grandchildren, one brother and one sister.

Services held for Jon Lopez, 43

Jon L. Lopez, 43, of North Baltimore, Ohio, died Friday evening near Grand Rapids, Ohio.

Services were held Wednesday at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Roman Catholic Church in North Baltimore with Fr. Mark R. Bowers officiating. Smith-Crates Funeral Home, North Baltimore, was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in his memory may be directed to St. Jude's Childrens Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1942.

Mr. Lopez was born April 6, 1956, in Chicago, Ill. His parents are Vincent and Ruth (Carles) Lopez of North Baltimore. He was a laborer at Plast-O-Meric Inc., North Baltimore. He was a member of the North Baltimore High School Class of 1975, Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Roman Catholic Church and the Fostoria Eagles. He was a veteran of the US Marine Crops, serving from 1975-1979.

Surviving with his parents are one son, Dallas Meeker of North Baltimore; one daughter, Marcella Lopez of Salinas, Calif.; one step-son, Ashley Leimgruber of North Baltimore; one step-daughter, Amanda Leimgruber; one brother, Mark Lopez of Garrett; one half-brother, Raymond "Butch" Reyes of Kentucky; one half-sister, Sandra Aquino of Norwalk, Ohio and a companion, Tawney Phillips of North Baltimore.

Services today for Betty Jean Smith

Betty Jean (Snoke) Smith, 66, of Garrett, died Sunday at 3:50 p.m. at her home.

Services will be held today at 10 a.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Pastor David Snodderly officiating. Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery, Plymouth.

Memorials in her memory may be given to Souls Harbor Assembly of God Church in Auburn or DeKalb Home Health Services, c/o DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn..

Mrs. Smith was born Aug. 6, 1932, in Marshall County. Her parents were Ross Vernon and Carrie Katherine (Eaton) Snoke. She retired from Cooper Engineered Products in Auburn on Sept. 23, 1994. Mrs. Smith was a member of Souls Harbor Assembly of God Church, VFW Auxiliary of Plymouth, Garrett Eagles Lodge and American Legion Auxiliary of Auburn, Post 97.

Survivors include two daughters, Sherlyn Wilson of Rome city and Marla Smith of Elkhart; one brother, Vernon Snoke of Avon Park, Fla.; three sisters, Eilene Hammond of Okeechobee, Fla., Nadeane Dodson of Plymouth and Mary Osborne of Nappanee; and her friend, Joan Deskins of Garrett.

May 27, 1999

Calling today for Violet M. Boyd

Violet M. Boyd, 75, of Garrett, died Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Friends may call today from 4-7 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Graveside services will be held Friday at 10:30 a.m. at Christian Union Cemetery. Sam Weimer will officiate.

Mrs. Boyd was born July 22, 1923, in Garrett. Her parents were Forrest and Ruby (Wolfe) Snyder. She and Dorsie Boyd were married on Sept. 19, 1940. He preceded her in death. She was a member of the Independent Full Gospel Church of Ashley/Hudson.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Mitchell and Kendra Boyd of Garrett and Dolan and Barbara Boyd of auburn; two daughters and sons-in-law, Phyllis and Wendell Caywood of Leo and Connie and Carl Mason of Auburn; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Boyd was preceded in death by one sister, Dorothy Heileman.

Services held for James Bellinger

James S. Bellinger Sr., 54, of Garrett, died Saturday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Graveside services were held Wednesday at the Jackson Prairie Cemetery, Jackson Township in Steuben County. Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Bellinger was born Feb. 3, 1945, in Steuben County, to Asa W. and Josephine (Pion) Bellinger. His father survives in Orland. His wife, the former Judith J. Richey, preceded him in death in 1993. Mr. Bellinger was a graduate of Orland High School. He was retired from GTE North in Fort Wayne and formerly worked at the Garrett Telephone Company in Garrett. He was a truck driver for Burlington Trucking Co.

Survivors include three sons, James Jr. of Avilla, Joseph of Waterloo, and Jeffery of Kendallville; a brother, Asa G. of Kinderhook, Mich.; two sisters, Susanna Shumaker of Angola and Arlene J. Wells of Orland; and five grandchildren.

Calling today for Esther Hathaway

Esther M. Hathaway, 83, of Garrett, died Sunday at 8:25 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor in Garrett.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Services will be Friday at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Arthur Ferry officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the charity of the donor's choice.

Mrs. Hathaway was born Dec. 5, 1915, in Auburn. Her parents were Noble Ray and Gladys (Balzer) Hathaway. She and Oral Hathaway were married Oct. 3, 1936, in Garrett. He survives. She was a homemaker.

Surviving with her husband are one son, Larry Hathaway of Garrett; one daughter, Janet Yarian of Garrett; two sisters, Mary Shier Gilman of Brush Prairie, Wash., and Della Ray of Friendsville, Tenn.; six grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by one son, Milton Ray Hathaway, two brothers and one sister.

Calling Tuesday for Martha E. Refner

Martha E. Refner, 85, of Auburn, died Monday at 1:15 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Friends may call Tuesday from 4-8 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home. Rosary services will be at 7:30 p.m. Services will be Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Immaculate Conception Church, Auburn, with Fr. Raymond Balzer officiating. Burial will be in Catholic Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorials in her memory may be given to St. Joseph Catholic School in Garrett.

Mrs. Refner was born Jan. 8, 1914, in Avilla. Her parents were William and Anna (Shoudel) Fetter. She and Willard E. Refner were married April 25, 1936, in Auburn. He preceded her in death in 1980. She worked in assembly at Essex in Auburn for 10 years, retiring in 1980. She was a member of the Immaculate Conception Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Christine Costin of Garrett and Joyce Moppin of Watsontown, Pa.; five grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Patrick Refner, two brothers, John Fetter and Lawrence Fetter, and two sisters, Catherine Merriman and Agnes Foster.

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Calling today for Frank Molargik

Frank J. Molargik Sr., 82, of Kendallville, died Friday afternoon at his home.

Friends may call today from 2-5 and 7-9 today at Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville. Services will be held Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Kendallville. Burial will be in Ege Cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the American Lung Association or Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association.

Mr. Molargik was born July 1, 1916, in Ege. His parents were Frank and Frances (Ludwig) Molargik. He was a plumber for 47 years. He was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and the Kendallville Moose Lodge 1301, and a past member of the Kendallville Elks Lodge 1194.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth; three sons, Frank, Rick and Roger, all of Kendallville; two stepsons, Thomas Hawkins of Milton, Fla., and Richard Hawkins of Middlebury; three sisters, Theresa Lombardo and Leonna Gibson, both of Fort Wayne, and Alvina Molargik of Hudson; three brothers, Mike and Aloysius, both of Garrett, and Lawrence of Corunna; five grandchildren, four step-grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

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Father of Harley Quince, 93,dies

Kenard Quince, 93, died Monday in Mesa, Ariz. He is the father of Harley Quince of Garrett.

Services were held Wednesday in Mesa. A memorial service will be held at a later date in Garrett.

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Services today for Emil H. Dose, 95

June 14 1999

Emil H. Dose, 95, of Auburn, died Friday at 2:09 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Services will be held today at 11 a.m. at the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in Garrett with Rev. Herbert Schumm officiating. Calling will be one hour before the services. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the church.

Thomas Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Dose was born Sept. 3, 1903, in Kiel, Germany. His parents were John and Anna (Kerchen). He and Madeline M. Gael were married on Sept. 27, 1936, in Garrett. She survives. He was a painter at International Harvester in Fort Wayne for 17 years, retiring in 1960. He was a member of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in Garrett.

Surviving with his wife are one son and daughter-in-law, Arnold and Velda Dose of Big Otter Lake, Fremont; one grandchild and wife, Karen and Craig Wrogeman of Lake George; one grandson, Ronald Dose; one great-grandchild, Philip Wrogeman of Lake George and one niece and her husband, Helga and Guenter Schultz of Hamberg, German.

Mr. Dose was preceded in death by three brothers and one sister.

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Services Wednesday for Roal Shepler Jr.

Roal E. Shepler Jr., 70, of Ottawa, Ohio, died Friday at Putnam County Ambulatory Care Center, Ottawa.

Services will be held Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. (Indiana time) at Love Funeral Home, Ottawa. Calling is from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Wapakoneta, Ohio.

Memorials are to the Putnam County Home Health and Bridge Home Health.

Mr. Shepler retired in 1989 after 23 years as a supervisor at Moen of Garrett.

Survivors include two sons, roal E. III of Findlay, Ohio, and Jeffrey of Edgerton, Ohio; two daughters, Lori Winne of Erie, Mich., and Sharon Common of Northville, Mich; one brother and eight grandchildren.

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Services Tuesday for Pard Handshoe, 70

June 17, 1999

Pard Handshoe, 70, of Garrett, died Friday in LaOtto.

Services will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville. Calling will be today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mr. Handshoe was born in Garrett, Ky. He retired from the Marine Corps after serving 30 years, including in World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. He moved to Garrett from Pass Christian, Miss., in 1997.

Survivors include three sons, David of Mount Pleasant, S.C., Daniel of Houston and Douglas of Gulfport, Miss.; a daughter, Janet Gurnett of Atlantic City, N.J.; five sisters, Ruth Bailey of Ray, Mich., Antha Bailey of Garrett, Edith Payton of Auburn, Glenna Johnson of LaOtto and Delphia Miller of Brimfield; a brother, Garman of Fort Wayne; and four grandchildren.

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June 17, 1999

Services held for Emily Mountz West

Emily Mountz West, the daughter of James Mountz, a Garrett native, died Tuesday, May 18, in Cambridge, Mass. The memorial service was held at the Bigalow Chapel in Cambridge on May 25th.

Mrs. West was born in Weston, Mass., on Dec. 26, 1936, to the late James Teeters and Margaret Winsor Mountz.

She married Dr. Allen West on July 17, 1958, and after their marriage they lived in Ithaca, N.Y., where Dr. West received his Ph.D degree in chemistry and she received her master's degree in education from Cornell University. For many years they lived in Appleton, Wisc., until his retirement from the faculty of Lawrence University in 1994 and they moved to Cambridge.

In Cambridge, Mrs. West was active in the Mid-Cambridge Association and in the construction of an addition to the Cambridge Public Library. She also was active in the alumnae affairs of the Winsor School in Boston, of which she was a graduate.

Surviving with her husband are two daughters and their husbands, Margaret (West) and the Reverend James Bennett of Chillicothe, Ohio, and Katherine (West) and James Walles of Feeding Mills, Mass.; one son, Daniel West of Cambridge; one sister, Helen (Mountz) Talbot of Lodi, Calif.; three grandchildren, Jennifer Bennett, and Andrew and Christopher Walles. Louise Mountz is her aunt and Peter Mountz is her cousin.

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Services today for Florence Bassett

Florence Bassett, 92, of Auburn, died Wednesday, Jan. 13, at 5:10 p.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services will be held today at 11 a.m. at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, with Rev. William Kaster officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church or Youth for Christ.

Mrs. Bassett was born Aug. 5, 1906, in Spencerville. Her parents were William L. and Rosie B. (Parmer) Church. She and Ora E. Bassett were married on Nov. 27, 1924, in Auburn. He preceded her in death in 1967. She retired in 1970 from Dana Corp. with 29 years of service. She was a former employee of the Auburn Automobile Co. Mrs. Bassett was a member of the First United Methodist Church, the United Methodist Women Nellie Weaver Circle and the Loyal Missionary Sunday School class. She was a charter member of the Garrett Eagles Auxiliary and Auburn Cord Duesenberg Women's Club, and was a member of the DeKalb Order of Eastern Star.

Survivors include one son, Argyl L. Bassett of Auburn; one daughter, Donna J. McDaniel of Auburn; two sisters, Alice I. Shaffer of Garrett and Ruth N. Wilmot of Auburn; eight grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Bassett was preceded in death by one daughter, Margaret; one grandchild, Beau; six brothers, Ira, Clarence, William, Charles, Floyd and George; and three sisters, Belle, Viola and Mima.

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Services today for Helen Gossett, 85

Helen M. Gossett, 85, of Garrett, died Thursday at 4:02 p.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services will be held today at 10 a.m. at the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church with Rev. Gilbert Meseke officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Thomas Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the church.

Mrs. Gossett was born Nov. 3, 1913, in Garrett. Her parents were Henry and Catherine (Bartels) Reusze. She was a homemaker and member of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Survivors include a sister-in-law, Kathleen Reusze of Corunna; a niece, Tonyua Hollis of Corunna; and a companion, Glen Geyer of Spencerville.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Homer Gossett, and a brother, Arthur Reusze.

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June 19, 1999

Services held for Don J. Johnston

Don J. Johnston, 70, of Fort Wayne, died Sunday at his home.

Services were held Wednesday at D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home. Burial was in Highland Park Cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Cancer Services of Allen County or Parkview Home Health Care & Hospice.

Mr. Johnson was born in Fort Wayne. He was a superintendent carpenter at Hagerman Construction, retiring in 1991 after 36 years.

Survivors include his wife, Betty J. Johnston; three sons, James J. Johnston of Huntertown, Kenneth W. Johnston of Fort Wayne and John R. Johnston of Garrett; two sisters, Rhoda Brosius of Fort Wayne and Ruth Skidmore of Oakridge, Tenn.; and five grandchildren.

Garrett Clipper June 24 1999

Memorial service set for D. W. (Nick) Fraze

D. W. (Nick) Fraze, 94, of Garrett, died Saturday, June 19, in the Regency Nursing Home.

Memorial services will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Garrett, on Friday at 11 a.m.

Arrangements by Siler Funeral Home, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Fraze was born Jan. 11, 1905, in Geneva and was raised in Kendallville where he eventually met and married his wife, Grace, of 68 years.

Upon gaining employment with the B & O Railroad in the 1930's, they moved to Garrett. He retired from the B & O in 1970. Over his long life he was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus, the Eagles, and served as president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers. During World War II, Mr. Fraze joined the Merchant Marine Service, giving up his deferment as a railroader.

Survivors include his sons, Doug of Sebring, Fla., and Jan of West Otter Lake, and daughter, Nicci Korff of Fort Wayne; and seven grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Grace, in February 1999; and all members of the Samuel and Viola Fraze family: James, Malcolm, Wyona, Donald, Hugh and Charles.

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Former Garrett resident dies

Marie Blair Chew, formerly of Garrett, died Friday, June 18, in Charlotte, N.C.

Her parents were Andrew and Mable Blair. She is survived by her husband, Robert; two sons, John and Paul; and a daughter, Nancy.

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June 24, 1999

Wayne (Steve) Davis dies in Florida

D. Wayne "Steve" Davis, 87, died Saturday at 4:30 a.m. at Ormand Memorial in Ormand Beach, Fla. He had been in declining health for the past year and had been in the hospital one week.

There will be no calling or service. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Local arrangements are by McKee-Miles Funeral Home.

Mr. Davis spent his winters in Florida and his summers in Indiana. His parents were Grace Hathaway and Fred Davis. He was a retired electrician. Mr. Davis and Mardelle Headley were married in 1937. She preceded him in death in 1978. He was a member of the Eagles and Moose.

Survivors include two daughters, Connie Davis of Avilla and Jeannine Warstler of Garrett; two brothers, Fred Davis of Yulee, Fla., and Charles Davis of Tucson, Ariz.; three sisters, Winnifred Blossom and Delores Senn, both of Orlando, Fla., and Inez Manfroni of Willoughby, Ohio; one granddaughter, Janell Yoder; two great-grandchildren, Kylie and Corbin Yoder; and a companion of 15 years, Hazel Myers of Crescent City, Fla.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Robert Davis, and a sister, Berle Bonnett.

Garrett Clipper June 25, 1999

Private services for Lucille Lautzenheiser

Lucille A. Lautzenheiser, 84, formerly of Bluffton, died Saturday at 4:08 p.m. at Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

Private graveside services will be held Tuesday in the Bethel Cemetery at Bluffton. There is no calling. Thoma-Rich, Hewitt & Chaney Funeral Home, Bluffton, is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Lautzenheiser was born in Cooksville, Ill. Her parents were Ollie and Lois (Fulton) Whitehouse. She retired in 1985 after 30 years with Sears at Glenbrook, Fort Wayne.

Survivors include one daughter, Beverly Jean Daniels of Garrett; two sons, Richard Lautzenheiser of Bluffton and Thomas Lautzenheiser of Fort Wayne; one sister, Roberta Reinhard of Berne, one brother, Daniel Whitehouse of Florida and 13 grandchildren and several great and great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one brother, James Whitehouse.

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Services held for Beatrice Elliott

Beatrice Viola Elliott, 79, of Fort Wayne, died Sunday at St. Anne Home & Retirement Community.

Services were held Saturday at Hart Funeral Home, Huntington. Burial was in Gardens of Memory, Marion.

Mrs. Elliott was born in Celina, Ohio. Her husband, LaRue, died in 1986.

Survivors include a daughter, Roberta Reichter of Huntington; two brothers, Robert E. Gilbert and Harry Gilbert Jr., both of Garrett; and two sisters, Deloras Combs of Hebron, Ky., and Gloria Gilbert of Fort Wayne.

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Services today for Pauline M. Moses

Pauline M. Moses, 93, of Garrett, died Thursday at 7:26 a.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services will be held today at 11 a.m. at the Garrett Presbyterian Church with Rev. Elizabeth Morgan officiating. Friends may call one hour before the service. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the church.

Thomas Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Moses was born April 11, 1906, in Garrett. Her parents were James J. and Clara (Waterbeck) Dirr. She and Clifton F. Moses were married on June 27, 1927, in Garrett. He preceded her in death on March 17, 1967. She was a homemaker and a member of the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include three daughters, Jeannene A. Lepard of Auburn, Janet A. Farrell of Huntington, Long Island, N.Y., and Jo Ellen Rissing of Kiawah Island, S.C.; one son, James C. Moses of Findlay, Ohio; three sisters, Marguerite Smith of Garrett, Amelia Heitzman of Dallas, Tex., and Barbara Johnson of Sebring, Fla.; 12 grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Moses was preceded in death by one brother, James Dirr and one sister, Grace Brandenberg.

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Services held for Edward Lehnert

Edward G. Lehnert, 88, a former Garrett businessman, died Friday, June 18, at St. Elizabeth hospital in Lincoln, Neb. He was born in Chicago on June 5, 1911.

Mr. Lehnert and his family lived in Garrett for several years in the 1950's. He owned and operated a variety store and news stand at 103 South Randolph Street.

The family moved to Lincoln in 1959, where Mr. Lehnert owned and supervised two McDonald Hamburger restaurants until he sold them and retired in 1976.

Survivors include his wife, Betty, who lives at 4311 South 63rd Street in Lincoln, NB 68506; three sons, Charles of Spring Lake, Mich.; Paul of Boise, Idaho; and David of Lincoln; one daughter, Katherine Gritz of Pueblo, Colo; a brother, Charles Lehnert of Park Ridge, Ill.; a sister, Elvira Hanson of Truth or Consequences, N.M., and four grandchildren.

The Lehnerts visited friends in Garrett many times since their move to Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Brennan of Garrett, attended the funeral services which were held last Monday morning in The Cathedral of the Risen Christ in Lincoln. Burial was in Lincoln Memorial Cemetery.

Services held for Kernard Quince

Kenard H. Quince, 94, of Mesa, Ariz., died June 7 at 3:30 a.m. at Neely Hospice House in Gilbert, Ariz. Mr. Quince had formerly lived in Garrett.

A memorial services was held Sunday at Thomas Funeral Home with Dr. William N. Hodge officiating.

Memorials in his memory may be given to Neely Hospice House, 487 W. Elliot Road, Gilbert, AZ 85233.

Mr. Quince was born Jan. 7, 1905, in Auburn. His parents were George G. and Viona (Dariem) Quince. He was a self-employed interior designer and wall paper hanger until 1986 at the age of 80.

Survivors include his wife, Marge of Mesa; a son, Harley Quince of Garrett; five granddaughters, Kathy Kelham, Theresa Charles, Debbie Wilson and Pam Debes, all of Garrett, and Alice Loutzenhiser of Auburn; 13 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three sisters, Pauline Thomas, Amber Floyd and Georgiana Cole.

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June 28, 1999

Graveside services for Charles Strouse

Charles E. "Dick" Strouse, 86, of Wakarusa, died Monday at 7:20 a.m. at Elkhart General Hospital.

Graveside services will be held Friday at 1:30 p.m. at Christian Union Church with Rev. Elizabeth Morgan officiating. There is no calling. McKee-Miles Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Strouse was born Aug. 5, 1912, in Garrett. His parents were William E. and Martha (Reader) Strouse. He and Erma Hill were married in 1949 and she preceded him in death. Mr. Strouse was a 1930 graduate of Garrett High School, after which he served in the US Army during WW II. He worked at Bendix in South Bend. He was a member of the American Legion and Elks, and was a former member of the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Steven and Pamela Strouse of Lafayette; and two granddaughters, Lauren and Lindsey Strouse of Lafayette.

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Services today for Felix D. Walker

Felix D. Walker, 87, died Saturday at Miller's Merry Manor in Indianapolis. He was a former minister at the First Church of Christ in Garrett from 1952 to 1958.

Services will be held today at 11 a.m. at Cyntheanne Christian Church in Noblesville. Burial will be in Lincoln Memory Gardens, Whitestown. Flanner & Buch-anan Lawrence Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be directed to the Cincinnati Bible College or Bethlehem Holy Land Christian Mission.

Mr. Walker was born Dec. 19, 1911. He was a graduate of Cincinnati Bible Seminary in 1940. He had been a minister among Christian churches since 1938. In addition to the church in Garrett, Mr. Walker served at churches in Clarksburg, Morriston, Gwynneville and Indianapolis in Indiana, and Jamestown, Ohio and Cherokee, Iowa. He last served at Cyntheanne Christian Church in Noblesville for 24 years.

Survivors include his wife, Alberta; four daughters, Patricia LaRue, Sue Ellen Heath, Ann Hockman and Rebecca Brown; nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

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July 5, 1999

Services today for Eugene Best, Jr.

Eugene H. Best, Jr., died Sunday at his home in Fort Wayne.

Services will be held today at 10:30 a.m. at Elzey & Haggard Home for Funerals, Fort Wayne. Burial will be in Covington Memorial Gardens, Fort Wayne.

Memorials in his memory may be given to Fort Miami Young Marines, c/o Marine Corps League, 7500 E. Hwy. 30, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Best was born June 16, 1942, in Garrett, to Eugene H. Best, Sr., of Albion, and the late Phyllis A. Shaffer. He was a service technician at Fleetwood Homes in Garrett for two years. Mr. Best served in the Marines from 1960-1964. He was a member of the Emmaus Lutheran Church, life member of Marine Corps League, life member of VFW 10006, member of the American Legion Post 82 and member of the Southwest Conservation Club.

Surviving with his father are his wife, Caryn of Fort Wayne; four sons, Eugene H. Best, III, Anthony Best and Brian Gaunt, all of Fort Wayne, and Adam Gaunt of Gilbert, Ariz; four sisters, Marianne Mathieu of Antwerp, Ohio, Barbara Dailey of Fort Wayne, Nancy Smith of Crestwood, Ky., and Teresa Kreigh of North Webster; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Sandra Best.

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GHS class of 1989 looking for classmates

The Garrett High School class of 1989 is looking for the following classmates for their 10 year reunion.

Amy (Alt) Lilly, Scott Lilly, Chris Hedges, Pete McDonald, Kathy Back, Gerald Brown, Lance Pepple and Amy (Simon) Powell.

If you know the whereabouts of the above people, please contact Charity (Porter) Wisel at 357-5901.

The class reunion will be held Saturday, Aug. 14, from 6:30 to 11 p.m., with dinner at 7 p.m. at the Garrett Eagles Home. If you have not returned your registration forms you are urged to do so as soon as possible.

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Calling today for Georgianna Brown

Georgianna Brown, 82, of Garrett, died Monday at 6:10 p.m. at St. Vincent Hospice in Indianapolis.

Friends may call today from 4-8 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Services will be held Friday at 1 p.m. at the First Baptist Church with Lloyd Mealer officiating. Calling will also be one hour before the services at the church. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the First Baptist Church.

Mrs. Brown was born Aug. 26, 1916, in Kendallville. Her parents were George Griswold and Daisy (Stoner) Ellington. She and Paul C. Brown were married Oct. 12, 1941, in Garrett. He preceded her in death on May 19, 1982. Mrs. Brown graduated from St. Joseph Hospital School of Nursing in 1941.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church, Gideons and DeKalb County Nurses Study Club.

Survivors include one daughter, Paula Wheeler of Indianapolis; two sons, Norman Brown of Alpharetta, Ga., and Stanley Brown of Casselberry, Fla.; two sisters, Mary Joan McCandless of Kent, Ohio, and Jean Gatton of Kendallville; and three grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one sister, Helen Bartels.

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Services held for Ross Knipp, 67

Ross R. Knipp, 67, of Holgate, Ohio, died Wednesday at the Henry County Hospital in Napoleon, Ohio.

Memorial services were held Saturday at the Holgate United Methodist Church with Rev. Deb Berry officiating. Burial will be private. Snyder Funeral Home, Holgate, was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in his memory may be given to Hope School, the Special Olympics or the church.

Mr. Knipp was born in Henry County, Ohio, on Feb. 9, 1932. He was the son of William and Clara (Rettig) Knipp. He and Carmen Reed were married on Feb. 26, 1955. She survives. Mr. Knipp worked for many years at the Campbell Soup Company in Napoleon. He was a member of the Holgate United Methodist Church, where he was a former church trustee.

Surviving with his wife are a son, Steven Knipp of Archbold; a daughter, Julie Sonnenberg of Garrett; six grandchildren, a brother, Leroy Knipp of Defiance; and a sister, Ruth Bostelman of Holgate, Ohio.

He was preceded in death by brothers, Orrin, Labon, Claire, and an infant brother, and sisters, Jeanne Knipp and Wilma Horstman.

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Services today for Alfred Porter Sr.

Alfred L. Porter Sr., 78, of Fort Wayne, died Monday at Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana.

Services will be held today at 2 p.m. at D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, 1320 E. Dupont Road, Fort Wayne. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Memorials in his memory may be given to Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana.

Mr. Porter was born in DeKalb County and formerly lived in Garrett. He retired in 1986 after 25 years as a truck driver for Magnavox Electronic Systems Co. He also had been employed for 10 years at the former Fortmeyers Truck Stop.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy; two sons, Jackie L. Porter of Butler and Alfred L. Porter Jr. of Kendallville; a sister, Wilma Bartels of Phoenix, Ariz.; nine grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

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Calling today for Irene Molargik

Irene M. Molargik, 78, died Friday at Parkview Hospital.

Mass of Christian Burial is pending at St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church, 8669 Auburn Road, Fort Wayne. Calling will be today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, 1320 East Dupont Road, and an hour before Mass at the church. The Vigil service is pending for today at the funeral home. Burial will be in Highland Park Cemetery.

Memorials in her memory are to the family.

Mrs. Molargik was born in Cleveland, Ohio. She was a homemaker and enjoyed antiques and spending time with her children and grandchildren.

Survivors include a daughter, Carol Allen of Fort Wayne; a son, Dennis Molargik of Fort Wayne; a sister, Helen Nichols of Fort Wayne; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Vern, in 1992, four sisters and a brother.

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GHS Class of 1974 Reunion Saturday

The Garrett High School Class of 1974 will hold their 25th year reunion this Saturday, July 10, at the Garrett American Legion.

There will be a class picture taken at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. with a business meeting at 8 p.m. After 9 p.m. the 1974 class invites other classes to come and join them for some reminiscing.

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Services today for William Rempis

William Conway Rempis, 76, of Waterloo, died Monday at 11:35 a.m. at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services will be held today at 11 a.m. at the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Rev. Ron Stambaugh officiating. Burial will be in the Corunna Cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Freewill Baptist Church.

Mr. Rempis was born Feb. 14, 1923, in DeKalb County. His parents were Lester L. and Anna M. (Conway) Rempis. He and Joan Laisure were married Oct. 13, 1990, in Waterloo. She survives. He retired in 1992 after 34 years of service at Charleston Metal in Waterloo. He was a World War II U.S. Army veteran. He served in the 95th Infantry and fought in the battle of the Saar. Mr. Rempis was a member of the Freewill Baptist Church, Waterloo, and a former member of the Waterloo VFW.

Surviving with his wife are three daughters, Sandy Nicewonder of Indianapolis, Rebecca Mayfield of Pleasant Lake, and Helen Goble of Straughn; four stepsons, Tony Wells of Auburn, Joe Wells of Ashley, Tim Wells of Corunna and Rick Wells of Waterloo; two stepdaughters, Diana Elkins of Waterloo and Julie White of Corunna; one sister, Barbara Teller of Garrett; 10 grandchildren, 15 step-grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren and six step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Edith (Pushy) Rempis in February 1982; one son, William C. Rempis; one sister, Marguerite Braunstein; and one great-grandson, Daniel Moon.

July 8, 1999

Calling Friday for Dona Helmick, 54

Dona L. Helmick, 54, of Auburn, died Tuesday at her home.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Services will be held Saturday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Chapel Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorials in her memory may be given to DeKalb Hospice in care of DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Helmick was born in Garrett. She previously lived in Waterloo, where she operated a child-care center in her home. She also had been a home health aide for CompreCare of Auburn and a certified nurse's aide at Sacred Heart of Avilla.

Surviving are her husband, Rick B. Helmick, Sr.; a son, Matthew Caldwell of Auburn; a daughter, Christina Caldwell Powell of Ashley; two stepsons, Rick B. Helmick Jr. of Garrett and Bill Helmick of Auburn; a stepdaughter, Rachel Helmick of Fort Wayne; a brother, George Noirot of Lansing, Mich.; two sisters, Jacqueline Hadden of New Smyrna Beach, Fla., and Nannette Hatton of Indiana; a grandchild and a step-grandchild.

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Services Friday for Catherine Burtch

Catherine I. Burtch, 81, of Pleasant Lake, died Tuesday at Carlin Park Health Care Center, Angola.

Services will be held Friday at 11 a.m. at Johnson Funeral Home, Hudson. Burial will be in Mt. Zion Cemetery. Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the donor's choice.

Mrs. Burtch was born Oct. 24, 1917, in Garrett. Her parents were Alfred and Irene (Johnston) Rahrig. She and Richard W. Burtch were married on Oct. 8, 1937, in Avilla. He survives. She was a 1936 graduate of Garrett High School. Mrs. Burtch is a member of the Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, the Garrett Eagles and the Garrett Order of Eastern Star.

Surviving with her husband, are one son, Richard A. Burtch of Pleasant Lake; one daughter, Julianne Hersey of Pleasant Lake; two half-brothers, Jack Rahrig of Stroh and James Rahrig of Garrett; one sister, Treva Lovette of Atlanta, Ga.; one half-sister, Sharon Butler of Kendallville; six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Calling Tuesday for David Gradeless

July 12, 1999

David L. Gradeless, 54, of Fort Wayne, died Friday at 6:20 p.m. at Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home on Tuesday from 5-8 p.m. Services will be held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the American Cancer Society.

Mr. Gradeless was born June 29, 1945, in Garrett. His parents were Ralph and Martha (Smith) Gradeless. He and Linda Schulthess were married June 29, 1996, in Auburn. She survives. He was retired from AT & T where he was a technician. Mr. Gradeless was a member of the American Legion and a Marine Corp Vietnam veteran.

Surviving with his wife are one stepson, Jeffrey Smith; two stepdaughters, Amy and Ginger Long; and one sister, Nancy Leitch of Fort Wayne.

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Services today for Alice Dannenberg

Alice I. Dannenberg, 74, of east of Garrett, died Wednesday at her home.

Services will be held today at 10 a.m. at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Avilla with Rev. Dean R. Bearman officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn. McComb, Dilgard and Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the church.

Mrs. Dannenberg was born Jan. 26, 1925, South Milford. Her parents were Arthur L. and Goldie I. (Long) Chamberlain. She and Harold W. Dannenberg were married Sept. 7, 1947, in Kendallville. He preceded her in death in 1982.

Mrs. Dannenberg had been a lab technician at the Sacred Heart Hospital in Garrett, the Souder Clinic in Auburn and the Duemling Clinic in Fort Wayne. She was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Avilla, and was president of the Ladies Aid, the Zone and Society president of the L.W.M.L., and served as the present church organist. She was also the chapel organist for Shepherd of the Hills Nursing Home in Kendallville and a former organist at Zion Lutheran Church in Garrett. Her hobbies included music, cooking and sewing.

Survivors include three sons, Robert Dannenberg of Auburn, David Dannenberg of Livermore, Calif., and Stanley Dannenberg of mount Shasta, Calif.; one daughter, Marjorie Arnold of Decatur; a sister, Anna J. Wickersham of Danville; and seven grandchildren.

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Calling Tuesday for Audrey N. Gaff, 82

July 19, 1999

Audrey N. Gaff, 82, of Garrett, died Sunday at 6:30 a.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Friends may call on Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home. Services will be held at the funeral home on Wednesday at 10 a.m. with Lloyd Mealer officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

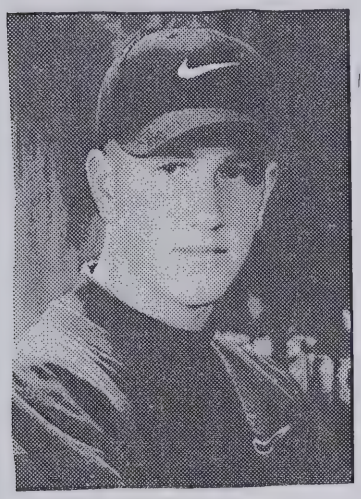
Memorials in her memory may be given to the First Church of Christ.

Mrs. Gaff was born Sept. 10, 1916, in Garrett. Her parents were William R. and Hazel M. (Dingman) Clady. She and Lawrence E. "Larry" Gaff were married on July 11, 1941, in Garrett. He preceded her in death on July 31, 1952. She graduated from Garrett High School in 1934. She was a clerk at Ort's Jewelry Store in Garrett and retired in 1977. Mrs. Gaff was a member of the First Church of Christ and the Garrett Alumni Association.

Survivors include three daughters and sons-in-law, Sandy and Tom Griffin, Carol and Bud Hathaway and Judy and Don Francis, all of Garrett; one sister, Joyce Westenhaver of Garrett; seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Gene, and two half-brothers.

Josh Noel dies in car accident



Joshua Allen Noel, 21, died in a one-car accident at 3:36 a.m. Saturday on CR 327, south of Garrett.

The accident occurred just south of CR 68, according to the DeKalb County Sheriff's office. Josh was traveling north on 327 when he went off the west side of the road and struck a tree head-on. He was alone in the car and died at the scene. The investigation continues by the Sheriff's Department.

Josh was born June 6, 1978, in Fort Wayne. His parents are Michael A. Noel and Nancy C. Noel, both of Garrett. Josh was a 1996 graduate of Garrett High School. He was a student at Ivy Tech in Fort Wayne and worked full time at Carter Lumber in Corunna. He was a member of the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

Services will be held Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the Garrett Presbyterian Church with Rev. Elizabeth Morgan and Rev. William Haworth officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Cemetery.

Calling will be today from 2-8 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home and Tuesday from 9-10 a.m. at the church.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

Surviving with his father and mother are a stepmother, Lois Noel of Garrett; one brother, Brandon Noel of Garrett; one sister, Erica Noel of Garrett; grandparents, Bennett and Patricia Noel of Fort Wayne; four stepsisters, Kelly Teush and Roxie Williams, both of Huntington, and Erin Williams and Chelsea Williams, both of Garrett; and a stepbrother, Kyle Williams of Garrett.

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Services held for Ronald Freeze

Ronald Freeze, 81, of south of Garrett, died Friday at 9:31 a.m. at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services were held Saturday at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Fr. Thom Lombardi officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery with military graveside services by the Garrett American Legion and VFW. Thomas Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Mr. Freeze was born Nov. 18, 1917, in Garrett. His parents were John M. and Florence (Hite) Freeze. He and Margaret Pearson were married in 1947. She preceded him in death on Sept. 19, 1971. His second wife, Marvelle M. Surface, whom he married in 1974, died Nov. 11, 1998. Mr. Freeze worked at Dana Corp. in Fort Wayne for 30 years, retiring in 1974.

Mr. Freeze was a member of the Garrett American Legion, Garrett Eagles, Waterloo VFW and St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Survivors include one son, Ronald Freeze of Garrett; one daughter, Karen Stoltz of Fort Wayne; one brother, John Freeze; two sisters, Leanna Friend of Auburn and Lois Best of Indianapolis; five grandchildren; four stepdaughters, Norma Baker of Auburn, Etta Creager of Waterloo, Darlene Baker of Garrett and Sonia Martin of Hamilton; one stepson, Maurice Stark of Springfield, Ohio; and several step-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Barbara Brown.

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Services held for Ruby Beck, 93

Ruby Brooks Beck, 93, died Thursday at Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Services were held Saturday at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. Burial was in Macon Memorial Park Cemetery, Macon, Ga.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the Auburn Baptist Church or DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Beck was born in Wilkinson County, Ga. She was a practicing registered nurse for 35 years and retired in 1985. She was a member of the Auburn baptist Church and past secretary and treasurer of the Sixth District Nurses Register of Macon, Ga.

Survivors include her husband, Joseph O. Beck; three daughters, Betty Jo Honaker of Auburn, Jean Jolley of Brisbane, Australia, and Dr. Sara Fein of Alexandria, Va.; a sister, Mildred Holland of Macon, Ga.; 12 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

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Services to be held for Jerry Kaake

Jerry L. Kaake, 69, of Norcross, Ga., died Friday, July 23, at St. Joseph's Hospital after a long illness.

A memorial mass will be held at All Saints Catholic Church in Dunwoody, Ga., on Saturday, July 31, at 10 a.m. with Monsignor Kiernan officiating, followed by a reception in the Social Hall. Cremation Society of the South was in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Home, 750 Pollard Blvd., S.W., Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. Kaake was born Jan. 27, 1930, in Detroit, Mich. He had lived in the Atlanta area for the past 28 years. His business career was in sales, representing the automotive and electronics industries. Mr. Kaake was a member of All Saints Catholic Church, active in the adult choir and Men's Club.

He is survived by his wife, Gloria (VanDerbosch) Kaake; a brother, Merrill J. Kaake of Pleasant Valley, N.Y.; a sister, Mari Borsuk of Clearwater, Fla.; and 45 nieces and nephews.

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Services Saturday for Harold Conkle

Harold Conkle, 84, of 1207 South Lee Street, died Wednesday at 12 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor.

Services will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. at the United Presbyterian Church in Garrett with Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Morgan. Calling will be at the church one hour before the services. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery. Feller Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in Mr. Conkle's memory may be given to the church or the DeKalb County Heart Association.

Mr. Conkle was born July 6, 1915, in Garrett. His parents were Nelson and Emma (Roop) Conkle. He and Ann Richards South were married Jan.. 20, 1976, in Great Britian. She survives. He worked for the B & O Railroader for 43 years until his retirement in 1975. Mr. Conkle was a member of the United Presbyterian Church in Garrett and American Legion Post 178.

Surviving with his wife are one son, David N. Conkle of Garrett; one daughter, Elizabeth A. See of Garrett; two stepsons, Richard South and Robert South, both of Great Britain; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren and seven step-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Ellen As. (Zecca) Conkle, and one brother, Robert Conkle.

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Services today for Betty Jean Willard

Betty Jean Willard, 74, of Winchester, Va., died Monday in the Mary Washington Hospital, Fredericksburg, Va.

Services will be held today at 11 a.m. at the First Christian Church, Disciples of Christ with the Rev. Dr. Ewart H. Wyle, Jr. officiating. Interment will be in Mount Hebron Cemetery. Omps Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the First Christian Church Building Fund, 75 Merrimans Lane, Winchester, VA 22601.

Mrs. Willard was born on Aug. 6, 1924, in Goshen. Her parents were Dwight L. and Lucille Teeters Motz. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Christian Church Disciples of Christ. Her husband, Rev. Charles Willard, whom she married Sept. 7, 1953, in Garrett, preceded her in death on May 6, 1984. Rev. Willard had formerly pastored at the First Christian Church, Disciples of Christ.

Survivors include two daughters, Melanie Beth Rudacille of Fredericksburg, Va., and Mary Jo Gibson of Winchester, Va.; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Calling today for Dorothy Byanski

Dorothy M. Byanski, 78, of Napperville, Ill., died Saturday at 4:35 a.m. at Alden of Naperville.

Calling will be today from 4-8 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Fr. Thom Lombardi officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Byanski was born April 20, 1921, in Pittsburgh, Pa. Her parents were Frank and Catherine (Kosmula) McClosky. She and Robert Byanski were married March 24, 1940, in Chicago. He preceded her in death. She was a past member of the Harvest House and St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Barbara and Jim Burns of Naperville, Ill., and Sandra and Tom Kotek of Downers Grove, Ill.; one son, Robert J. Byanski of Cicero, Ill; and two granddaughters, Kimberly and Kandice Burns.

Mrs. Byanski was preceded in death by three brothers, Charles, Edward and Gus McClosky, and one sister, Edna West.

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Calling Friday for Charles B. Baker

Charles B. Baker, 99, died Wednesday at 8:15 p.m. at Betz Nursing Home, Auburn. He was a lifetime Garrett resident.

Friends may call Friday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home. Services will be at the funeral home at 10 a.m. Saturday with Lloyd Mealer officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the First Church of Christ.

Mr. Baker was born March 25, 1900, in Garrett. His parents were Jerimiah and Jennie (Mills) Baker. He and Evelyn M. Miller were married Nov. 9, 1932, in Albion. She preceded him in death on Oct. 7, 1992. He was a clerk on the B & O Railroad for 38 years and retired in 1968. He was a member of the Garrett Eagles and Elks and the First Church of Christ.

Survivors include one daughter and son-in-law, Judy and Gary Snider of Garrett; a granddaughter and her husband, Dena and Jeff Knott and a granddaughter, Mona Rowe, all of Garrett; and six great-grandchildren, Lincoln and Logan Rowe and Kerrigan, Keegan, Tasha and Kyle Knott.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Jim, John and Fred Baker, and three sisters, Mary Calder, Julia Baker and Thelma Baker.

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Private services for Edna Magginis

Edna L. "Tilli" Magginis, 91, of Toledo, Ohio, died Sunday in Lake Park Nursing Home in Sylvania, Ohio.

Private funeral services are planned and there is no calling. Beams Funeral Home, Fremont, is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Magginis was born Feb. 19, 1908, in Spokane, Wash. Her parents were Ben and Edith Quigley. Her husband, Howard "Mac" Magginis preceded her in death. She worked for Ohio Bell for 40 years. She formerly lived in Orland. Mrs. Magginis was a member of the Pioneers of Ohio and was a past officer and member of the Lake Pleasant Cottage Owners Association.

Survivors include a sister, Ruth Marshall of Garrett; her grandsons, William Magginis Jr. of Toledo and Sean Magginis of London, Ohio; her granddaughters, Brigid Matthews and Kelly Magginis, both of Toledo; great-grandchildren, Nancy and William H. Magginis III and Clint and Laura Matthews; nieces, Denise Garman and Cheri Hatch; and nephews, Carl, Earl and Ralph Andrews.

Former Presbyterian pastor dies in Illinois

Word has been received of the death of Rev. Alan T. Reed, 68, of Eureka, Ill., on June 23. He was a pastor at the Garrett Presbyterian Church in the 70's and 80's.

He was minister emeritus at Eureka Presbyterian Church, where services were held on June 26. The Rev. Gerald Butler officiated. Burial was in Olio Cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be made to the Eureka Presbyterian Church or the National Kidney Foundation.

Rev. Reed was born Feb. 15, 1931, in Port Huron, Mich. His parents were Scott Hall and Margaret Lillian (Howell) Reed. He and Mary Spencer were married on Nov. 24, 1954, in Conway, S. C. She survives.

Rev. Reed became an ordained minister in Port Huron in 1959 and served at churches in Kentucky, Indiana and Illinois. He was a Korean War Army veteran.

Surviving with his wife are one son, James of Springfield; three daughters, Linda Reed of Peoria, Ill., and Mary Reed and Alisa French, both of Dayton, Ohio; and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one brother.

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Services today for Robert B. Ellis, 96

Robert B. Ellis, 96, died Thursday at Mason Health Care Center, Warsaw. He formerly lived in Garrett and had lived at Grace Village Retirement Community at Winona Lake for the past 20 years.

A memorial service will be held today at 10:30 a.m. at Grace Village Chapel at Winona Lake with Rev. D. Robert Griffith officiating. Burial will be in Waynetown Masonic Cemetery, Waynetown. Titus Funeral Home, Warsaw, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in his memory may be given to Grace Village Retirement Community, Box 337, Winona Lake, IN 46590 or American Cancer Society, 535 W. Edison Unit 6, Mishawaka, IN 46545.

Mr. Ellis was born June 17, 1903, in Waynetown. His parents were Charles H. and Carrie L. (Thompson) Ellis. He and Helen Dawson were married Nov. 24, 1927. She died in September, 1941. He married Ella Trimble on Dec. 25, 1943. She preceded him in death on June 6, 1994. Mr. Ellis was an accountant at Dana Corp. in Auburn for 22 years.

He was a 1925 graduate of Indiana University and a member of the Hoosier 100 Marching Band. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Warsaw, Garrett Masonic Lodge 537, Fort Wayne Valley of Scottish Rite and the Indiana University Varsity Club.

Survivors include one niece, Mrs. Mark (Jean) Sanders of Warsaw, and a nephew, Jerry Kyle of Naperville, Ill.

Calling today for Paul Perkins, 74

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Paul D. Perkins, 74, died Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. at Miller's Merry Manor in Garrett.

Calling will be today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. Services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the funeral home with Lloyd Mealer officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery, Huntertown.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the American Heart Association.

Mr. Perkins was born April 6, 1925, in Jackson, Ky. His parents were Lee O. and Letha (Little) Perkins. He and Mary L. Turner were married on Jan. 4, 1943, in Jackson. She survives. He retired in 1987 from Electric Motors & Specialties where he worked for 36 years as a supervisor. He enjoyed doing work on small motors.

Surviving with his wife are a son and daughter-in-law, Victor A. and Denice Perkins, of Garrett; two sisters, Nellie Turner of Erie, Pa., and Juanita Koss of Galesburg, Mich.; and three grandchildren, Vic P. Perkins and Kelly Perkins, both of Garrett, and Danna England of Winchester.

Mr. Perkins was preceded in death by two infant sons, Billy Ray and Danny Perkins; two sisters, Mary Perkins and Nancy Shellman; and three brothers, Elzie, James and Raymond Perkins.

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Services Friday for Dorothy Gustin, 84

Dorothy A. Gustin, 84, died Monday at 3:30 p.m. at Miller's Merry Manor in Garrett.

Friends may call today from 4-8 p.m. (Indiana time) in Dooley Funeral Home, 202 West River Street, Antwerp, Ohio. Services will be held Friday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home with Rev. Jim Edwards officiating. Burial will be in North Scipio Cemetery at Harlan.

Memorials in her memory may be given to Miller's Merry Manor.

Mrs. Gustin was born March 20, 1915, in Berks County, Pa. Her parents were Harry F. and Anna May (Smith) Unger. She and Marvin Gustin were married March 23, 1940. He preceded her in death on June 24, 1991. She lived in Fort Wayne and had been a cook at Byron Health Center for 11 years.

Survivors include a son, Aaron Gustin of Garrett; a daughter-in-law, Maureen Ressler of Fort Wayne; four brothers, Lester Unger of West Wyomissing, Pa., Noble Unger of Summerfield, Fla., Marvin Unger of Wanakee, Wisc., and Vernon Unger of El Paso, Tex.; three sisters, Marian Straley of Reading, Pa., Viola Wayne of Sinking Spring, Pa., and Arelene Rhine of Birdsborough, Pa.; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

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Services today for Sandra Arnett, 59

Sandra Arnett, 59, of rural Fort Wayne, near Leo, died at 10:10 a.m. on Monday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. today at the Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco with Ron Collins of the Cedar Creek Church of Christ officiating. Interment will be in the Eel River Cemetery, Allen County.

Memorials in her memory may be made to the American Cancer Society, or the Stripper Ripper Quilt Club at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw.

Mrs. Arnett was born on Oct. 25, 1939, to Art and Margaret (Morris) Clark. She spent most of her formative years at Blue Lake, and graduated from Churubusco High School in 1957. Her marriage was in Winchester on Oct. 15, 1960 to Glenn O. Arnett. She had been employed as a dispatcher for North American Van Lines in Fort Wayne for 20 years, retiring from there in 1998. She had also been employed as a sales representative for Tomkinson Chrysler-Plymouth in Fort Wayne.

Surviving with her husband are two sons and daughters-in-law, Keith and Amy Arnett of Seymour and Timothy and Joan Arnett of Leo; two daughters and sons-in-law, Elaine and Timothy Haag, and Susan and Scott Bruick, all of Fort Wayne; her sister, Patricia Clark of Churubusco; and seven grandchildren.

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Calling today for Robert Deuitch

Robert J. "Duke" Deuitch, 79, of Henderson, Nev., died Thursday at Almost Home Hospice. He was a former Garrett resident.

Friends may call today from 4-8 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home and one hour before the services at the church. A Rosary Service will be held at 7 p.m. Services will be at 11 a.m. on Tuesday at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Fr. Thom Lombardi officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mr. Deuitch was born March 8, 1920, in Garrett. His parents were Henry and Loretta (Long) Deuitch.

Mr. Deuitch graduated from Union Mills High School in 1938. He was a World War II veteran with the U.S. Air Force. He retired from the Air Force on Nov. 30, 1960, as a Master Sgt. Mr. Deuitch was a member of the American Legion, VFW, Eagles and the Disabled American Veterans.

Survivors include two brothers, John Deuitch of LaPorte and Norbert Deuitch of Garrett; and one sister, Catherine Nichols of Kouts.

He was preceded in death by five brothers, Carl, Walter, Donald, Bernard and Richard Deuitch.

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Calling Tuesday for Tonyua Surfus

Tonyua Sue Surfus, 38, of 505 South Walsh Street, died Friday at 9:55 p.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Friends may call on Tuesday from 2-8 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home. A Rosary Service will be at 5 p.m. and a Psi Iota Xi Service will be at 8 p.m. Services will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Fr. Thom Lombardi officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials in her memory may be given to St. Joseph Catholic School or Lutheran Hospital's Womens Cancer Center.

Mrs. Surfus was born Aug. 2, 1961, in Garrett. Her parents are Richard L. and Norma J. (Mowrey) Sechler. They survive in Garrett. She and Paul S. Surfus were married on Jan. 5, 1990, in Garrett. He survives. She was a homemaker and member of Alpha Rho chapter of Psi Iota Xi Sorority, St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rosary Society and Home and School Association at St. Joseph School.

Surviving with her husband and parents are two sons, MacKenzie and Tanner Surfus, both at home; one daughter, Abigale Surfus, at home; one sister, Trisha Miller of Auburn; and a grandmother, Alberta Sechler of Edgerton, Ohio.

Oct 18, 1999

Warren Hockaday, former resident, dies in Wisconsin

Warren E. Hockaday, 79, of West Salem, Wisc. and formerly of Garrett died Saturday, October 16 at Mulder Health Care Facility, West Salem.

A public Masonic Service will be held Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. from Jostad-Jandt Funeral Home, 121 N. Youlon Street, West Salem, Wisc. Friends may call at the funeral home on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. until the time of service. Memorials may be given to the World War II Veterans Memorial.

Mr. Hockaday was born July 28, 1929 in Chicago to Harry and Edith (Manke) Hockaday. On December 8, 1945, he married Geraldine Uhl in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Hockaday was a locomotive engineer and fireman on the B&O Railroad for 40 years, working out of Chicago and Garrett. After retirement in 1980, he and his wife moved from Garrett to West Salem.

He was a veteran of World War II, having served with the 745th Railroad Operating Battalion. He was a member of the American Legion, Elks and Scottish Rite Bodies in Indiana and the Valley of LaCrosse Scottish Rite Bodies. He was recently recognized as a 50 year Mason. He enjoyed shooting pool and was active in the LaCrosse County Valley Pool League.

Survivors include his wife, Geraldine of West Salem; a son, Michael (Michelle) Hockaday of Ft. Wayne; two grandchildren, Melissa Beth and Michael Kevin Hockaday of Ft. Wayne; and a great-granddaughter, Whitney Lee Ann (3 months old).

He was preceded in death by a brother, John Hockaday.

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Services held for Mandi DeClue

Mandi L. DeClue, 6, of Kendallville, died Wednesday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, from injuries she sustained in an auto accident on Sunday.

Services were held Saturday at Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. Sam Roberts officiating. Burial will be at a later date.

Memorials in her memory may be given to Indiana Organ Procurement Association of Indianapolis.

Mandi was born June 4, 1993, in Kendallville, to Kevin and Kelly (Brinker) DeClue. Her father survives in Garrett, and her mother, Kelly Campbell, survives in Kendallville.

Surviving with her parents are her stepfather, Jerry Campbell II of Kendallville; two sisters, Karssea DeClue and Kenosha DeClue, both of Kendallville; her maternal grandmother, Cerinda Brinker of Kendallville; paternal grandparents, Richard DeClue and Barbara Hopkins, both of Missouri; her great-grandfather, Robert Goebel of Garrett; and her step-grandparents, Jerry and Kris Campbell of Kendallville.

Aug 18, 1999

Services held for George Brumbaug

Services for George Brumbaugh, Sr., 67, were last Friday in Kendallville died Wednesday in Mill Merry Manor in Garrett, lowing a lengthy illness. ial was in Sweet Cemetery, bion.

Mr. Brumbaugh was b April 10, 1932 in Fort Wa to Charles and Cecelia (M Brumbaugh. On January 1968 he married Pat Tr bridge in Garrett. She survi

He moved from Churul co to Garrett 50 years ago retired in 1994 from New Foundry in Kendallville, was a security guard at var industries in the area ar member of Garrett Civil fense and the Northeastern Club of Indiana, in Ashley.

Surviving with his wife a daughter and son-in-l Cathy and Robert Coope Kendallville; three sons ar daughter-in-law, Marshall Linda Brumbaugh, and Gec A. Brumbaugh II, of Gar and Jeffrey Brumbaugh Kendallville; three sist Mary Greenwalt of Shre port, La., Julia Puckett of cleville, Ohio, and Marg Menges of Corunna; a bro Harry Brumbaugh of Aubu a stepdaughter, Rose A Handshoe of Mishawaka stepson, Garnet Handshoe Garrett; a half-sister Phy Felger of Churubusco; a h brother, Charles Brumbaugl Lake James; seven grandc dren; five stepgrandchildr and three stepgrandchildren

He was preceded in de by a daughter, a stepdaugh a grandson; a stepgrandaugl and a brother.

Preferred memorials are the American Cancer Societ

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Services today for Everett R. Julow

Everett R. Julow, 76, of Waterloo, and formerly of Garrett, died Sunday at 2:02 p.m. at St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne.

Services will be held today at 10:30 a.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Corunna Volunteer Fire Department.

Mr. Julow was a farmer. He and Helen Ludwiski were married on July 29, 1961, in Garrett. She preceded him in death.

Survivors include two sons, Howard Julow of Waterloo and Dallas Julow of Michigan City; his mother, Hazel Julow, of Garrett; and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Arthur Julow.

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Calling today for Ronald Lockwood

Ronald D. Lockwood, 81, of Auburn, died Tuesday at his home.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. Services will be Friday at 11 a.m. in the Waterloo Church of the Nazarene.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the church.

Mr. Lockwood was born in Auburn and was a farmer, retiring in 1979. He served in the Army Air corps and was a WW II veteran. He was a member of the Waterloo Church of the Nazarene.

Survivors include his wife of 58 years, Dorothy O. Lockwood; two sons, DeWayne Lockwood and Kenneth Lockwood, both of Waterloo; a daughter, Anna Rose Powers of Rockford, Ill.; four brothers, Bernard of Auburn, Dayton and Clifford, both of Waterloo, and Willis of Hamilton; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A sister, Lois Lockwood, preceded him in death.

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Services held for Lynda Staley, 52

Lynda C. Staley, 52, of Auburn, died Friday at 5:33 p.m. in a traffic accident on Tonkel Road in Allen County.

Services were held Wednesday at H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler, with Rev. Ron Stambaugh officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery, St. Joe.

Memorials in her memory may be given to St. Joseph Catholic School in Garrett.

Mrs. Staley was born Dec. 24, 1946, in Palmer, Tenn. Her parents were Clell and Mary Elizabeth (Sanders) Lane. She and Barry Wayne Staley were married on May 13, 1989, in St. Joe. He survives. She was a recreational therapist at the Indiana State Developmental Center in Fort Wayne for the past 11 years.

Surviving with her husband are two daughters, Valarie Fisher of Auburn and Stephanie Meredith of Fort Wayne; two stepdaughters, Melinda Staley and Melisa Staley, both of Garrett; two stepsons, Barry Wade Staley and Trevor Staley, both of Garrett; five brothers, Ed Lane, Claude Lane and Tom Lane, all of palmer, and Ken Lane and Rex Lane, both of Gruetli, Tenn; five sisters, Ruth Rollins, Mary Sanders and Sue Ann Nunley, all of Manchester, Tenn., Betty Rinehart of Greeley, Colo., and Grace Carter of Muncie; and five grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Carl Lane and Clell Lane Jr., and a sister, Sally Lane.

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Services held for Raymond Lewis

Raymond Lewis, 70, of Kendallville, died Sunday at 5:20 a.m. at McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

Services were held Wednesday at Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. James Archambeault officiating. Burial was in Lake View Cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the United Pentecostal Church, Kendallville.

Mr. Lewis was born Dec. 22, 1928, in Wharton, W. Va. His parents were Lafayette and Ivory (Perry) Lewis. He and Anna Mills were married Aug. 8, 1981, in Kendallville. She survives. Mr. Lewis retired in 1990 from Kendallville Foundry. He was a World War II U.S. Army veteran.

Surviving with his wife are four daughters, Mary Stanley, Kathy Marquart and Fay Manns, all of Kendallville, and Jeanne Knox of Topeka; a son, Donald Lewis of Garrett; a stepdaughter, Drema Carrier of Kendallville; two sisters, Miggie Lewis of Lexington, Ky., and Audrey Hicks of Sauersville, Ky.; 10 grandchildren; nine step-grandchildren; six great-grandchildren and four step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a sister.

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Services today for Orville Wiley, 88

Orville L. Wiley, 88, of Angola and formerly of Pleasant Lake, died Sunday at Cameron Memorial Community Hospital, angola.

Services will be held today at 11 a.m. in Weicht Funeral Home, Angola, with Rev. George Foulk officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Creek Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Pleasant Lake Baptist Church or the Steuben County Alzheimer's Support Group.

Mr. Wiley was born Feb. 22, 1911, in DeKalb County. His parents were James and Alta (Gump) Wiley. He and Opal Rinehold were married July 24, 1934. She survives. He worked at Warner Gear in Auburn for 30 years, retiring in 1973. He was a member of the Pleasant Lake Baptist Church, where he served as trustee from 1957-59 and as a deacon from 1960-74.

Surviving with his wife are a son and daughter-in-law, Jack and ann of Des Moines, Iowa; a daughter and son-in-law, Judy and George Underwood of Angola; two brothers, Howard and Ray Wiley, both of Garrett; four grandchildren, Kim Wiley of West Branch, Iowa, Kip Wiley of Orlando, Fla., Vicki Means of Orland and Kristi Kotowski of Angola; and five great-grandchildren, Beth and Michelle Means, Brack Bingham, Megan Kotowski and Travis Dixon.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Martha Stimon.

Aug 23-1999

Services today for Opal Middleton

Opal A. Middleton, 87, of Angola, died Saturday at Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Services will be held today at 1 p.m. at Weicht Funeral Home with Rev. Robert Knowlton officiating. Friends may call today one hour before the services. Burial will be in Teeters Cemetery, Steuben County.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the Steuben County Council on Aging.

Mrs. Middleton was born Jan. 9, 1912, in Steuben County. Her parents were Charles and Sadie (Dirrim) Wright. She and Arthur F. Middleton were married Feb. 3, 1962. He preceded her in death in 1992. Mrs. Middleton retired after 38 years working as the office manager for J.C. Penny's in Angola. She was a life member of the Angola Christian Church and BPW of Steuben County. She graduated from Angola High School and Tri-State University.

Survivors include two stepsons, Alan C. Middleton of Garrett and Terry A. Middleton of Fort Wayne; one stepdaughter, Sondra Steele of Angola; one niece, Pam Hantz of Angola; seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one brother, Gerould D. Wirght, in 1958.

Aug 26-1999

Howard Burdett dies in Florida

Howard L. Burdett, 83, formerly of Dearborn, Mich., died Aug. 16, at home in Swiss Village at Winter Haven, Fla.

He was born in Streatham, England, on Nov. 12, 1915, and married Phyllis Olinger on Nov. 9, 1957, in Detroit, Mich., and moved to Winter Haven in 1984.

He retired as a salesman for Radio Electronics Television Schools in 1980. He was a protestant, a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Post 272 and the Loyal Order of the Moose Chapter 1152 in Winter Haven.

He is survived by his wife, Phyllis (Olinger) Burdett; a daughter, Roxene Mifflin of Merlin, Ontario; a granddaughter, Sheila Chadwick and a great-grandson of Wheatley, Ontario; one nephew and two nieces in Canada.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Ray Burdett, and a sister-in-law, Ceceila Burdett..

Lane Holt Funeral Home, Haines City, delivered the body to Gainsville Medical School with no services.

Graveside services set for Alex James Souder

Alex James Souder, 3 months old, died Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. at his home.

Graveside services will be held Friday at 10 a.m. at the Butler Cemetery in Butler with Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. officiating.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Parkview Hospital Neo-Natal Unit in Fort Wayne.

Alex was born May 5, 1999, in Fort Wayne. His parents are Chad J. and Shannon L. (Carr) Souder.

Surviving with his parents are a brother and sister, Brent and Alyssa, at home; grandparents, Bill and Linda Souder and Ann and Sean Koskie, all of Garrett, and Larry and Stephanie King of Butler; and great-grandparents, Mildred Souder of Butler and Harold and Marilyn Carr of Auburn.

Aug 23 1999

Services set for Steve Campbell II

Steve Alan Campbell II, 34, of Kendallville, died Saturday in a drowning accident at Latta Lake near Rome City.

Services will be held Tuesday at 11 a.m. at Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with calling two hours before the services. Burial will be at a later date.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Campbell children.

Mr. Campbell was born in Huntington. He was employed as a laborer.

Survivors include his wife, Deborah; his mother, Carolyn of Kendallville; his father, Steven Campbell of Bryan, Ohio; two sons, Drew Alan and Dirk Axel, both of Garrett; two stepsons, Luke Meade and Zack Meade, both of Garrett; a stepdaughter, Shelly Meade of Garrett; two half brothers, Sean Campbell of Bryan, and Tom Brown of Kendallville; a stepbrother, Larry Brown of Michigan; and a stepsister, Sheila of Kokomo.

Aug. 30, 1999

Graveside services held for Alex James Souders

Alex James souder, 3 months old, died Wednesday, Aug. 25, at 8:30 a.m. at his home.

Graveside services will be held Friday at 10 a.m. at the Butler Cemetery in Butler with Rev. Arthur G. Ferry Jr. officiating. Thomas Funeral Home was in charge of services.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Parkview Hospital Neo-Natal Unit in Fort Wayne.

Alex was born May 5, 1999, in Fort Wayne. His parents are Chad J. and Shannon L. (Carr) Souder of Garrett.

Surviving with his parents are a brother and sister, Brent and alyssa, at home; grandparents, Bill and Linda Souder and Ann and Sean Koskie, all of Garrett, and Larry and Stephanie King of Butler; and great-grandparents, Mildred Souder of Butler and Harold and Marilyn Carr of Auburn.

Aug. 30, 1999

Services today for Dorothy Hamman

Dorothy I. Hamman, 87, of Hamilton, died Thursday at 3:40 p.m. at The Laurels of DeKalb nursing home in Butler.

Services will be today at 1 p.m. at H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler. Burial will be in Eddy Cemetery, Hamilton.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the DeKalb County unit of the American Cancer Society.

Mrs. Hamman was born Oct. 30, 1911, in Troy Township, DeKalb County. Her parents were John and Mildred (Hammond) Leason. She and Walter W. Hamman were married April 4, 1934, in Auburn. He preceded her in death on Jan. 26, 1983. She was a member of the Waterloo Nazarene Church.

Survivors include two sons, Jerry Hamman of Kendallville and Wayne Hamman of Butler; one daughter, Lana High of Butler; two sisters, Doris Freed of Garrett and Mildred Leonard of Lockport, Ill.; two sisters-in-law, Mary Catherine Leason of Fort Wayne and Joan Leason of Hamilton; 13 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Martin Leason and Marvin Leason; one sister, Violet Slentz; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Aug 26 - 1999

Calling today for Ronald Krider, 72

Ronald E. Krider, 72, of Kimmel, died Monday morning at his home. Services will be held today at 1 p.m. at Smith and sons Funeral Home, Columbia City, with Rev. Hubert Miller officiating. Burial will be in Sparta Cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Shriner's Children's Hospital or Whitley Home Health Care & Hospice.

Mr. Krider was born Jan. 1, 1927, in Churubusco. His parents were George W. and Mildred M. (Hill) Krider. He and Doris E. Gilbert were married in 1955. Mr. Krider retired in 1989 after 30 years with Dana Corp. in Fort Wayne. He served in the U.S. Navy and was formerly employed at the Chevrolet garage in Huntertown for 10 years. He was a graduate of Columbia City High School. Mr. Krider was a member of the Churubusco F.&A.M. 515, Fort Wayne Scottish Rite, Mizpah Shrine, Whitley County Shrine Club and the Hillbilly Club.

Surviving with his wife are two sons, John Albert Penn of New Haven and Rickie E. Krider of Ligonier; three daughters, Phyllis Herendeen of Churubusco, Linda Sue Coolman of Pennsylvania and Pamela Jo Tafflinger of Garrett; 14 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; four brothers, Robert, Dick and Milt Krider, all of Columbia City and Harold Krider of South Whitley; and two sisters, Virginia Snodgrass and Joan Simon, both of Columbia City.

He was preceded in death by a grandson, Charleton Michael Payton, and two brothers, Raymond and Lawrence Krider.

Aug 30-1999

Services held for John T. Andrews

John T. Andrews, 90, of Altona, died Tuesday, Aug. 24, at 9:43 p.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services were held Saturday at Thomas Funeral Home with Pastor Ron Rutledge officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials may by given to the Kidney Foundation in memory of Raymond E. Andrews.

Mr. Andrews was born April 1, 1909, in Dale County, Alabama. His parents were William H. and Dora (Thompson) Andrews. He and his wife, the former Mary B. Doster, were married on June 11, 1931, and recently celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary. He was a brakeman and worked in the roundhouse for the B&O Railroad for 45 years, retiring in 1974. He was a lifetime resident of Altona.

Surviving with his wife are seven daughters, Jeanette Tinsley of New Haven, Leotha Murphy of Bay City, Mich., Cleotha Tinsley and Phyllis Andrews, both of Saginaw, Mich., Violet Bland and Shirley Washington, both of Fort Wayne; and Michelle Thomas of Oak Park, Mich.; one brother, William "Matt" Andrews of Altona; two sisters, Mabel Myers and Mishie Day, both of Middleton, Ohio; 25 grandchildren; 52 great-grandchildren and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

Mr. Andrews was preceded in death by two sons, Raymond E. Andrews and Lloyd W. Andrews; one brother, Spugon Andrews; one sister, Mattie R. Young; and one grandchild.

Aug 30-1999

Graveside services today for Jean Franze

Jean Marie Franze, 71, of Lawrenceburg, died Wednesday in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Graveside services will be held today at 1 p.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn. Services were held Sunday at Fitch-Denney Funeral Home, Lawrenceburg, with Rev. William Helms officiating.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the Chapel United Methodist Church or the American Cancer Society.

Mrs. Franze was born Oct. 1, 1927, in Auburn. Her parents were Marion and Romayne (Geib) Scott. She was a real estate agent for Coldwell Banker Realtors for several years and served as a city councilwoman for eight years.

Survivors include her husband, Richard franze; four sons, Dickie of Lawrenceburg, Bill and Alan, both of Auburn, and Mike of Houston; two daughters, Jackie Denning and Suzy Allen, both of Lawrenceburg; four brothers, Vernon Scott of Hopkinsville, Ky., Bill Scott of Grand Rapids, Mich., Jack Scott of Garrett and Forrest Scott of Auburn; 14 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services today for Frederick Cambray

Frederick K. Cambray, 89, of Fort Wayne, died Friday at Parkview Hospital.

Services will be held today at 11 a.m. at Trinity Episcopal Church, 611 West Berry Street, Fort Wayne, with calling an hour before services. D.O. McComb & Sons Foster Park Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in his memory are to the church or Shriners Children's Hospital.

Mr. cambray was born in Payne, Ohio. He was the owner and chief executive officer of AIRCO for 50 years. His wife, Helen Mary ann, preceded him in death.

Survivors include a son, Gregory of Fort Wayne; a sister, Dorothy Lombardi of Garrett; three step-grandchildren and seven step-great-grandchildren.

Aug 30-1999

Calling today for Merium McNamara

Merium V. McNamara, 77, of Auburn, died Saturday at Parkview Hospital.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. Services will be held Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Mrs. McNamara was born in Auburn on Oct. 3, 1921. She had worked at Cooper in Auburn. She was a member of the Indian Village Church of God.

Survivors include three sons, Joe of St. Joe, Larry of Piqua, Ohio, and David of Auburn; two daughters, Beverly Albright of Kendallville and Linda Brumbaugh of Garrett; two brothers, Robert Parker of Garrett and Wilbur Parker of Jackson, Mich.; four sisters, Leona Grear of Ashley, Manole Williams of Plymouth, Ohio, Mary Lou Gilmore of Pottersville, Mich., and Carolyn Chuechwaed of Corunna; 13 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Sept. 2, 1999

Services Friday for Evelyn Teegardin

Evelyn Fay Teegardin, 79, of Auburn, died Sunday at 1:40 p.m. at her home.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Services will be held Friday at 10 a.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Ron Stambaugh officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Kendallville.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the DeKalb Home Health Care.

Mrs. Teegardin was born July 23, 1920, in Cleveland, Ohio. Her parents were Ralph and Caroline (Koons) Dove. She and George Teegardin were married Aug. 2, 1934, in DeKalb County. He preceded her in death in 1975. She was a self-employed seamstress.

Survivors include six sons, Ned of Charleston, S.C., David of San Diego, Calif., James of Kendallville, Donald of Fort Smith, Ark., Keith of Auburn and Larry of Garrett; two daughters, Patricia Crossley of Auburn and Carolyn Ward of Iron Station, N.C.; a half-brother, Dale Dove of Indianapolis; a stepbrother, David Robinson of Kalamazoo, Mich.; two half- sisters, Lynn Taylor and Sandy Miller, both of Kalamazoo; 25 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one brother.

Sept 2 - 1999

Services held for Dalia Schmuck

Dalia V. Schmuck, 78, of Kendallville, died Saturday at 1:40 p.m. in Kendallville Manor Healthcare.

Services were held Saturday at Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. Ron Stratman officiating. Burial was in Lake View Cemetery.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the American Cancer Society.

Mrs. Schmuck was born June 19, 1921, in ashley. Her parents were Samuel and Elizabeth (Smith) Freed. She and Clarence G. Schmuck were married on Nov. 16, 1941, in Albion. He survives. She had been an office manager and bookkeeper at Schmuck Garage.

Surviving with her husband are two sons and one daughter-in-law, LeRoy Schmuck and Daryl and Karen Schmuck, all of Kendallville; two daughters, Mrs. Burley (Phyllis) Hall of Kendallville and Mrs. Richard (Brenda) Conrad of Albion; four brothers, Clarence Freed of Auburn, Elmer Freed and Robert Freed, both of Garrett, and Howard Freed of Kendallville; one sister, Esther M. Leins of Auburn; three granddaughters, Kelly and Jenni Conrad of Albion and Carrie Hall of Kendallville; one step-granddaughter, Kendra Lawson of Goshen; and one great-granddaughter, Kaylee Hall of Kendallville.

Services held for Edwin Kupfersmith

Edwin H. Kupfersmith, 84, of Paulding Ohio, died Saturday at 11 a.m. at his residence.

Services were held Wednesday at the Paulding Church of the Nazarene. Burial was in Paulding Memorial Cemetery, with a military graveside service conducted by the Paulding VFW Post 587.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the church or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Mr. Kupfersmith was born Feb. 25, 1915, in Cissna Park, Ill. His parents were Peter and Christina (Unzicker) Kupfersmith. He and Sarah Jackson were married on July 27, 1938, in Latty, Ohio. She survives. Mr. Kupfersmith retired in 1977 from General Motors Central Foundry in Defiance, Ohio, after 23 years of service. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Navy and a member of the Paulding Church of the Nazarene.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters and sons-in-law, Shirley and Guy Baldwin of Paulding, and Sharon and Dr. William Hodge of Garrett; one sister, Lillian Kelly of Cornwall, Ontario, Canada; five grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one great-granddaughter, Natalie Hodge, in 1989; and three brothers, Jesse and Louis Kupfersmith and an infant brother.

Sept 2 - 1999

Services held for Anna Paxton, 78

Anna Paxton, 78, of Bryan, Ohio, died Saturday in Harborside Healthcare Center of Northwestern Ohio, in Bryan.

Services were held Tuesday in Oberlin-Ford Funeral Home, Bryan.

She was a native of Bryan and was married to Dale M. Paxton. He survives.

Surviving with her husband are three sons, Dale L. Paxton of Garrett, Dennis M. Paxton of Tampa, Fla., and Duwayne Lynn Paxton of Kendallville; five daughters, Sandra Stahl of Alvordton, Ohio, Judith Ann English-Lade and Mary Ankney, both of Sherwood, Ohio, Norma English of Defiance County and Sally Reese of Swanton; one brother, Jack Fortney of Bryan; two sisters, Le Vado Baker of upper Sandusky, Ohio, and Connie Rochester of Carey, Ohio; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Sept 7-1999

Services held for Brenda Blackburn

Brenda L. Blackburn, 39, of Avilla, died Wednesday at 11:39 a.m. at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been in failing health for about one year.

Services were held Saturday at Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. Willie Collins officiating. Burial was in Orange Cemetery, Brimfield.

Mrs. Blackburn was born Jan. 28, 1960, in Kendallville. Her parents were William and Luecreta Gibson. Her mother survives in Kendallville. She was a factory worker for Favorite Brands International in Kendallville.

Surviving with her mother are three daughters, Belinda Keifer of Ligonier and Sandy K. Bozynski and Jennifer Blackburn, both of Avilla; three sons, Michael Bozynski, Josh Blackburn and Adam Blackburn, all of Avilla; five sisters, Flossie Martin of Ashley, Mildred Banks of Avilla, Cosbie Salisbury of Albion, Mary Sue Halferty of Wolcottville and Elizabeth Pelfrey of Garrett; and five brothers, Thurman Gibson, Emory Gibson and Worley Gibson, all of Kendallville, Arthur Gibson of Waterloo and Recie Gibson of Avilla.

Sept 7-1999

Services held for "Minnie" Payton

Arminda "Minnie" Payton, 72, of 607 South Peters Street, died Wednesday at 1:12 p.m. at her home.

Services were held Saturday at Thomas Funeral Home with Dr. William N. Hodge officiating. Burial was in Cedar Creek Cemetery.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the DeKalb County Heart Association.

Mrs. Payton was born Sept. 23, 1926, in Auburn. Her parents were Walter W. and Mae E. (Sweeze) Custer. She and George R. Payton Sr. were married on Dec. 4, 1943, in Garrett. He survives. She was an assembly worker at Rieke in auburn for 29 years, retiring in 1986. She was a lifetime Garrett resident.

Surviving with her husband are two sons, George "Bob" Payton Jr. of Garrett and Kim Payton of Albion; two daughters, Marilyn Helmick of Garrett and Jama Campbell of Avilla; one sister, Vivian Gillespie of Avilla; eight grandchildren; nine step-grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and 11 step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Junior Custer and Gregory Custer, and two sisters, Margaret West and Louella Wiechart.

Sept. 7, 1999

Services today for Carl Crager, 62

Carl Crager, 62, of Fort Wayne, died Saturday at his home.

Services will be held today at 2 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with calling two hours before the services. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, with military rites by the Auburn American Legion.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the donor's choice.

Mr. Crager was an Air Force veteran and had worked for 24 years at International Harvester.

Survivors include his mother, Rebie Crager of Garrett; his companion, Barbara Hamrick; two sons, Mark of Rome City and Brian of Fort Wayne; four brothers, Curt Crager of Angola, Kess Crager of Auburn, Cola Crager of Garrett and Bruce Crager of Indianapolis; three sisters, Beulah Herron of Kendallville, Bethel Mohsene of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Belva Demaree of Albion; and eight grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Cindy Anderson.

Sept. 7, 1999

Services set for Ardenell Morrison

Ardenell F. Morrison, 75, of Fort Wayne, died Thursday at The Towne House Health Center in Fort Wayne.

Services will be at 2 p.m. today at D.O. McComb & Sons Maplewood Park Funeral Home, 4017 Maplecrest Road, Fort Wayne, with calling one hour before the services. Burial will be in Lindenwood Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the American Diabetes Association, 7363 East 21st Street, Indianapolis, IN 46219.

Mrs. Morrison was born in Fort Wayne. She was a supervisor with Lincoln Life Insurance Co. for 18 years and retired in 1984. She was a member of the North Highlands Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include her husband of 54 years, Ian Morrison of Fort Wayne; a daughter, Sally Harmes of Angola; three sons, Robert Morrison of Warsaw, Ronald Morrison of Washington, Ind., and Randy Morrison of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Robert Cowan and Norbert Cowan, both of Fort Wayne; eight grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one granddaughter, Heather.

Sept 7-1999

Services held for Hazel E. Mock

Hazel E. Mock, 78, Auburn, died Wednesday at Kendallville Manor in Kendallville.

Memorial services were held last Wednesday at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the American Cancer Society, DeKalb County Unit.

Mrs. Mock was born in North Dakota. She was the head dietician with DeKalb Central Schools.

Survivors include a brother, Dr. Henry Ford of Texas, a sister, Ethel Fritz of Hudson, a niece, Judy Nichoels of Fort Wayne; a grandniece, Patti Shumaker of Waterloo; and a very special friend, Otto Mutzl.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William T. Mock on Dec. 31, 1976, six brothers and two sisters.

Sept 9-1999

Services Saturday for Amber Clark

Amber K. Clark, 85, died Tuesday at Regency Place, Fort Wayne.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday with calling one hour prior at D.O. McComb & Sons Maplewood Park Funeral Home, 4017 Maplecrest Road, Fort Wayne. Calling will also be from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. on Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Covington Memorial Gardens.

Memorials in her memory are to National Parkinson Foundation, 1501 NW 9th Ave., Miami, FL 33136 or the American Cancer Society, Fort Wayne Unit.

Mrs. Clark was born in Garrett. She was a homemaker who enjoyed golf, bowling and traveling. She was a member of the First Assembly of God.

Survivors include two sons, Stephen A. Clark of Fort Wayne and David Clark of San Diego, Calif.; a brother, Emory Heitz of Garrett; and three granddaughters, Cynthia Clark of Fort Wayne, Christine Clark-Trevino of Bloomington and Christina Beckstein of Boston, Mass.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald W. Clark in 1992.

Sept. 13, 1999

Services today for Wanda Richmond

Wanda Pauline Richmond, 87, died Friday at Miller's Merry Manor in Garrett.

Services will be held today at 10:30 a.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Lloyd Mealer officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Miss Richmond was born in Garrett and was a lifelong resident. Her parents were Jacob and Eliza (Chambers) Richmond. She was a beautician. She was owner and operator of Wanda's Beauty Shop and retired after 47 years.

Survivors include one brother, Early Richmond of Auburn; and three sisters, Inez Walter of Coldwater, Mich., Hilda Mahnesmith of Garrett and Evelyn Dalrymple of Fremont.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Wilford and James Richmond, and one sister, Alma Burtch.

Sept. 13, 1999

Services held for Bessie Bloom, 86

Bessie C. Bloom, 86, of Garrett, died Monday at her home.

Services were held at Feller Funeral Home on Sunday. An Eastern Star service was held Saturday evening. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials in her memory may be given to Calvary Chapel Worship Center.

Mrs. Bloom was born Sept. 2, 1913, in Kendallville. Her parents were George and Fern Sucher. She and Harold Bloom were married May 29, 1940, in Avilla. He preceded her in death on Feb. 16, 1994. Mrs. Bloom was a homemaker and a 50-year member of the Order of Eastern Star. She also was a member of Calvary Chapel Worship Center.

Survivors include a nephew, Donald G. Thompson of Hudson; a great-nephew, Robert Thompson of Ashley; and two great-nieces, Diana Collins of Harlan and Chris Colman of Auburn.

One sister, Gertrude Thompson, preceded her in death.

Sept 13-1999

Altona man credited for saving man's life

Barry Parker of Altona, was out for his regular Wednesday evening walk along the CSX Railroad tracks.

At about 5:45 p.m. Mr. Parker was walking near Ocker Park when he heard noises coming from one of the railroad gain cars. The sounds alarmed him and he called police.

Upon arrival, police discovered Michael Ryan, 34, of Toronto, Canada, in the bottom of the empty grain car. Ryan had no idea where he was and had been in the car since Monday morning. He told Garrett Police he had hopped on the car to get to another location in Canada. He didn't realize he had even entered the United States.

Police arrested Ryan for railroad trespassing. He refused medical treatment and was taken to the DeKalb County Jail on a $500 bond.

Garrett Police Detective Harold Werkheiser said Ryan didn't realize the railroad car was empty and slide to the bottom of the car. Police, at first, thought the man was suffering from exposure. It's no telling when the man would have been found if Parker hadn't heard him calling for help.

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Sept 16-1999

Services today for Wendell Caywood

Wendell D. Caywood, 58, of Leo, died Monday afternoon at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Services will be held today at 11 a.m. at Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville with Pastor Doug Zehr officiating. Burial will be in Leo Cemetery.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the American Cancer Society of Allen County, 2925 East State Blvd., Fort Wayne, IN 46805, or The American Lung Association of Northeast Indiana at 802 West Wayne Street, Fort Wayne, IN 46802.

Mr. Caywood was born Sept. 29, 1040, in Steuben County. His parents were Emanuel and Hilda (Arnold) Caywood. He and Phyllis Boyd were married on Sept. 10, 1960, in Garrett. She survives. Mr. Caywood worked in the experimental department of Zollner Corp., where he retired after 37 years of service.

Surviving with his wife are one son, Duane Caywood of Garrett; three grandchildren, Christy Caywood of Fort Wayne, Emily Caywood and Michaela Caywood, both of Garrett; four brothers, Don Caywood of Auburn, Jim Caywood of Pennsylvania, John Michael Caywood of Huntertown and Dale Caywood of Wolcottville; and one sister, Diana Frey of Granger.

Sept 23 1999

Services Friday for former Garrett lady

Former Garrett resident Armelia Herbolsheimer-Westfall, 89, died Sunday at McMinnville, Oregon, where she resided the past five years.

Graveside services will be held Friday at 11 a.m. at the Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett, with the Rev. Elizabeth Morgan officiating.

Thomas Funeral Home, Garret, in charge of arrangements.

The daughter of Hillarius Achen and Margaret (Frank) Achen, both deceased, she was born July 22, 1910 in Chester, SD. She was raised and schooled in South Dakota. In December 1945, she married Roger C. Herbolsheimer in Garrett, IN. He died in 1971. After her marriage to Roger, she moved to Garrett for 25 years. She married Merle Westfall on December 30, 1972. He died in 1992.After her marriage to Merle, she spent time in Arkansas during their retirement years. She moved toTacoma, WA in early 1990. In 1994 she moved to McMinnville, OR. She enjoyed sewing and crafts, was an avid bowler and Elks member.

Survivors include two brothers, Lawrence Achen of Reedsport, OR and Orville Achen of Vancover, OR, two sisters, Erma Ehret of McMinnville, OR and Mildred Knotz of Canby, MN, and one step-sister, Patty Nelson.

Sept 23-1999

Services held for Thelma Caldwell

Thelma J. Caldwell, 59, of Jacksonville, Fla., died Monday at 5:52 a.m. in Brimfield. She had been in failing health approximately one year.

Services were held Wednesday at Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville. Burial was in Sweet Cemetery.

Memorials in her memory may be given to Beaches Church of the Nazarene, 424 Davis St., Neptune Beach, FL 32266, or Community Hospice of Northeast Florida, 4266 Sunbeam Road, Jacksonville, FL 32257.

Mrs. Caldwell was born June 23, 1940, in Bolen, Ky. Her parents were Noah and Frances (Conley) Gibson. She and Calvin Caldwell were married Aug. 3, 1996. He survives in Jacksonville. She was a customer service representative for CSX Transportation for 20 years. She had resided in Garrett before moving to Jacksonville in 1992. Mrs. Caldwell was a member of the Beaches Church of the Nazarene at Neptune Beach, Fla., and Transportation/Communications International Union.

Surviving with her husband are three daughters, Leslie Isbell of Jacksonville, Kelly McClish of Garrett and Carla Shisler of Butler; three stepsons, Calvin R. Caldwell of Glasgow, Scotland, Timothy Caldwell of Walled Lake, Mich., and Todd A. Caldwell of Novi, Mich.; two stepdaughters, Cindy Cordeiro of Hyannis, Mass., and Sally McKinley of Hudson, N.H.; seven sisters, Patsy Patton of Butler, Stella Howe of Waterloo, Helen Zimmerman of Brimfield, Ruby McCoy of Albion, Mae Gibson of Auburn, Faye Ruff of Turtle Lake, Wisc., and Rosie Wood of Mongo; a brother, David Gibson of Brimfield; and seven grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by six brothers and four sisters.

Sept 27, 1999

Services today for Wilmer Stock, 88

Wilmer F. "Bill" Stock, 88, of Fremont, died Thursday at Carlin Park Healthcare Center, Angola.

Services will be held today at 11 a.m. at Calvary Lutheran Church, Angola, with Rev. Donald Meyers officiating. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola. Klink Funeral Home, Angola, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Calvary Lutheran Church Building Fund, 1300 North Williams Street, Angola.

Mr. Stock was born Nov. 17, 1910, in Fort Wayne. His parents were Rudolph and Anna (Piepenbrink) Stock. He and his wife, Ruth, were married Feb. 28, 1932. She survives. He was a retired farmer. He and his wife also managed the Lake James Country Club, Holiday House and Hamilton House restaurants. He was a charter member of Calvary Lutheran Church in Angola.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Judy Colandino of Garrett, and Janice Kryling of Granger; three sons, Jeff, Jim and John, all of Angola; a brother, Arthur of Waynedale; a sister, Vera Salzbrenner of Angola; 12 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren and three step-great-grandchildren.

Sept 27, 1999

Sister of Garrett lady dies in Butler

Bette L. Andrews, 59, of Butler, died Friday at her home.

There will be no services or calling. H.E. Johnson & Son Funeral Home, Butler, is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Andrews was born in Pleasant Lake. She was a homemaker and longtime community resident.

Survivors include her husband, Leonard C.; her mother, Elnora M. Shaw of Spokane, Wash.; five sons, Faron W. Cluster of Azores, Portugal, Terry L. Andrews and Larry J. Andrews, both of Cochise, Ariz., Gary L. Andrews of Butler and Rick L. Andrews of Hamilton; three daughters, Lisa M. Bennett and Alane M. Matthews, both of Montpelier, Ohio, and Lori S. Boger of Butler; a brother, Darry Sprague of Quincy, Wash.; three sisters, Diane Freeze of Garrett, Debbie Thiele of Chaney, Wash., and Deenie Sprague of Spokane; 16 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

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Services today for June Kay Streets

June "Kay" Kay Streets, 61, of Avilla, died Saturday at 4:08 a.m. at her home.

Services will be held this morning at 11 a.m. at Thomas Funeral Home with Pastor Mark Stevenson officiating.

Mrs. Streets was born April 17, 1938, in Sturgis, Mich. Her parents were Jack H. and Lorene (Imler) Downing. She was a bookkeeper at Quick Tanks in Kendallville until going on disability in 1990.

Survivors include two daughters, Erin Pinedo of Avilla and Dawn Taylor of Auburn; one son, Fred Streets of Twin Lake, Mich.; one brother, Jack Downing of Horseshoe Bend, Ark.; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services held for Marie Schulthess

Sept 27, 1999

Marie E. Schulthess, 80, of Auburn, died Wednesday at 10:40 p.m. at Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Services were held Saturday at Feller Funeral Home with Rev. Larry Smith officiating. Burial was in Christian Union Cemetery.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the Children First Center, Auburn.

Mrs. Schulthess was born June 11, 1919, in Garrett. Her parents were Thomas J. and Clara B. (Steinbrunner) Noel. She and Earl Schulthess were married Dec. 25, 1941, in Garrett. He preceded her in death on Jan. 26, 1964. She was a homemaker and a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church, Auburn American Legion Post 97 Auxiliary, and the DeKalb County Democrat Women's Club.

Surviving is one sister, Ellamae Fike of Garrett.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Edwin C. Noel.

Sept. 23, 1999

Services Saturday for Wanda Tackels

Wanda A. Tackels, 62, of Garrett, died Tuesday at 3:41 a.m. at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Services will be held Saturday at 4 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home with calling two hours before the services. Jim Young will officiate.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the family.

Mrs. Tackels was born Sept. 16, 1937, in Fort Wayne, to Walter A. and Bertha L. (Straub) Dove. She and Charles L. Tackels were married June 26, 1954, in Fort Wayne. He preceded her in death in December, 1996. She was a homemaker and member of Bread of Life Worship Center.

Survivors include two daughters, Sandra Brown and Marie Tackels, both of Garrett; two sons, Daniel W. Tackels of Auburn, and Steven L. Tackels of Garrett; one brother, Howard Dove of Auburn; one sister, Thelma Woodward of New Haven; 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one sister, Frieda Hoffman.

Sept 23 1999

Services held for Willard Stump

Willard E. Stump, 91, of Garrett, died Saturday at 7:05 p.m. at Miller's Merry Manor.

Services were held Tuesday at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Rev. Donald Shankster and Rev. John Hostetter officiating. Burial was in Fair Cemetery, Lakeville.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren.

Mr. Stump was born May 7, 1908, in Walkerton, Liberty Township, St. Joseph County. His parents were Harvey and Bessie E (Gensinger) Stump. His first wife, Flossie M. Knowlton Stump, died in 1982, and his second wife, Lavon "Bonnie" Judge Weaver Russell Stump, died in 1988. He was a retired farmer and attended the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren.

Survivors include a brother, Floyd Stump of Plymouth, Fla.; a sister, Fern Irene Troche of Bremen; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Geroby Stump; a daughter, Joy E. Haynes; and a sister, Sarah Stump.

Sept. 23, 1999

Services Monday for Donald Gall

Donald E. Gall, 72, of Garrett, died Monday at Miller's Merry Manor.

Services will be held Monday at 6 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home with Dr. Gary Hedges officiating. Military honors will be at the conclusion of the funeral service. Calling will be Monday from 2-6 p.m.

Memorials in his memory may be given to DeKalb County Hospice.

Mr. Gall was born April 12, 1927, in Butler. His parents were Otis E. and Mamie (White) Gall. He and Dorothy M. McCosh were married Nov. 19, 1951, in Garrett. She survives. He was a WW II Navy veteran and was a delivery person for United Parcel Service for 20 year, retiring in 1984. He was a member of the Garrett American Legion and a lifetime member of the V.F.W.

Surviving with his wife are three sons, Ronald, Denny and Chris Gall, all of Garrett; one daughter, Daphne Edmond of Knox; three sisters, Doris Hodges and Mildred Behlke, both of Defiance, Ohio, and Eula Smith of Auburn; six grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Sept. 23, 1999

Services today for Rita D. Cox

Rita D. Cox, 39, of LaGrange, died Monday at 7:55 a.m. at her home.

Services will be held today at 11 a.m. with calling one hour before at the South Milford Church of Christ. Rev. Mike Sassanella will officiate. Burial will be in Woodruff Cemetery, near Wolcottville. Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in her memory may be given to Professional Credit Union, Kendallville Branch, to be distributed to various organizations.

Mrs. Cox was born Oct. 11, 1959, in Kendallville. She and Carl Cox were married Nov. 11, 1976. He survives. She was a DeKalb High School graduate and a member of Victory Baptist Church in Waterloo.

Surviving with her husband are her parents, Henry Stevens of Auburn, and Emma (Harter) Stevens of Corunna; two daughters, Angie Smith of Pleasant Lake, and Jody Cox of Angola; a son, Logan Cox of LaGrange; two brothers, Calvin Stevens of Garrett, and Tim Stevens of Ashley; and two sisters, Linda Coons and Julie Stevens, both of Auburn.

Sept 30, 1999

Services held for Vergie Hartman

Vergie Marie Vian Groh Hartman, 89, of Ashley, died Sunday at 1:30 a.m. at her home.

Services were held Wednesday at the Pleasant Chapel Church of the Brethren, Ashley, with Rev. Emery Kintner and Rev. Jeff Fackler officiating. Burial was in Fairfield Cemetery, Corunna. Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in her memory may be given to the church.

Mrs. Hartman was born March 22, 1911, in Fairfield Township, DeKalb County. Her parents were Oscar Vian and Maude Freed. Her adoptive parents were Willis E. Groh and Artie Smith. She and Lester F. Hartman were married on June 18, 1927, in Waterloo. He preceded her in death on June 24, 1996. Mrs. Hartman was a homemaker and a member of the Pleasant Chapel Church of the Brethren, Ashley fairfield Township Extension Homemakers Club, Steuben County Home Economics Club and Ashley Grange.

Survivors include one son, John E. Hartman of Hudson; one daughter, Nina Dove of Auburn; a half-brother, Riley Vian of Fort Wayne; three half-sisters, Marjorie Butler of Waterloo, and Liticia Clark and Naomi Brand, both of Fort Wayne; eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. She also raised three nephews, Jerry Patterson of Fort Wayne, Richard Free of Waterloo, and Ronnie Groh of Garrett; and one niece, Glenys Russell of Auburn.

One daughter, Mary Lou Hartman, and a half-sister, Vangie Teat, preceded her in death.

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Mullins baby dies, born after accident

Edward Lucas Mullins died Sunday at 2:27 a.m. at Lutheran Hospital neonatal intensive care unit.

The baby was born by caesarean section after his mother, Marcella Mullins, died from injuries in a two-vehicle accident last Thursday at the corner of Cowen Street and Second Avenue.

Services for the baby and his mother were held Monday at Zion United Baptist Church, Valentine with Rev. Robert Slone and Rev. Willie Collins officiating. A memorial services was also held for Marcella Mullins on Sunday at 7 p.m. at the church. Burial was in the Corunna Cemetery. Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in their memory may be given to the family.

Survivors of Edward are his father, Charles E. Mullins, of Garrett; two sisters, Alexis Marie and Alicia Marie Mullins, both at home; and his grandparents, Marta New of Garrett, Leon Hicks of Kendallville, and Nyoka McBride and Andrew Gamble, both of Garrett.

Marcella is survived by her husband, Charles "Ed" Mullins; two daughter, Alexis and Alicia, Mullins; her parents, Leon Hicks of Kendallville and Marta New of Garrett; two sisters, Jackie New and Chrissy New, both of Garrett; her grandmother, Ruthie Jane New of Garrett; and several nieces and nephews.

One brother, Lucas, preceded her in death.

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Sept 30, 1999

Calling today for Richard Harroff

Richard Allen Harroff, 44, of Auburn, died Tuesday at 3:45 p.m. at his home.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Services will be held Friday at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home with George Cecil officiating.

Sept 30, 1999

Memorial services held for Garrett native and husband

Memorial services were held September 13 in Homewood, Michigan for Eugene Nelson, 75, and Doris Rose (Dickson) Johnson, 77, who died September 8 at their Michigan home. The couple resided the past 23 years in Hazel Crest, formerly in South Bend.

The former Doris Dickson was born February 14, 1922 in Garrett and graduated from Garrett HIgh School in 1940. She retired as account clerk for Continental Bank in 1988, was a member of Psi Iota Xi Sorority and the Garrett Order of Eastern Star.

Eugene Johnson was born October 9, 1923 in South Bend. He graduated from Auburn High School in 1941. He retired in 1988 as comptroller for Associated Investment Company in Chicago. He was a member of the Anchorage, Alaska Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite Bodies Valley of South Bend and the Mother Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston. He was a U.S. Army Air Force veteran of World War II.

They are survived by a daughter, Jacquin "Jackie" (F. Edward) Herran of Zionsville, and three grandchildren, Erica Nicholas and Andrew Herran.

Mr. Johnson is also survived by a sister, Ellen Wroten of Sacramento, California.

Mrs. Marcella Clabaugh and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rex attended the memorial services.

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Memorials in his memory may be given to the family.

Mr. Harroff was born April 1, 1955, in Columbia City, to Francis Harroff and Joan Erdly. His mother survives. He was manager at Rarick's Rental in Auburn. He was a veteran of the United States Army.

Surviving with his mother are two daughters, Erin Delacruz and Megan Delacruz, both of Garrett; a sister, Vicki Isham of Garrett; a brother, Ronnie Harroff of Kimmel, and a grandson, Tristen Delacruz of Garrett.

He was preceded in death by his father and one brother, Randy Harroff.

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Oct 4, 1999

Graveside services scheduled Tuesday for Ramon C. Rowe

Ramon C. Rowe, 66, of Corunna died Wednesday, September 29.

Graveside services only will be held on Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the Fairfield Cemetery, Corunna. There will be no calling. Preferred memorials may be given to the American Cancer Society. Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo is in charge of arrangements.

He was born August 22, 1933 in Garrett, to the late Cecil and Evelyn (Young) Rowe. He was employed by Pittsfield of Indiana, in Hamilton for 18 years. His wife Wilma died in 1995.

Survivors include a companion, Ellen R. Duncan, Waterloo, two daughters, Vonda Thornsbearry, Ligonier and Crystal Rowe, Corunna, two half-brothers, Gary Rowe and Duane Rowe of Corunna, two grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Two sons, David A. Rowe and Kenneth Brian Rowe preceded him in death.

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Oct 4, 1999

Calling today for Merle Workman

Merle W. Workman, 83, died Wednesday at 11:40 p.m. at his winter home in Zephyr Hills, Fla. He was a longtime Garrett resident and spent his summers in Angola.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Services will be held Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home with J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery with graveside services by the Garrett American Legion Post.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Wee Haven Workshop in Garrett.

Mr. Workman was born Dec. 19, 1916, in DeKalb County. His parents were Wilbert and Emma (Michael) Workman. He and Helen Jordan were married Sept. 16, 1939, in Garrett. She survives. He was a self-employed building contractor and a WW II veteran of the U.S. Army.

Surviving with his wife are two sons, Larry Workman of Angola and Rick Workman of LaGrange; three daughters, Nancy DeLucenay of Pleasant Lake, Sharon Goffnett of Ithaca, Mich., and Connie Kellogg of Battle Creek, Mich.; a brother, Carl Workman of Avilla; 13 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

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Oct 4, 1999

Services set for Hilda Mahnesmith

Hilda M. Mahnesmith, 82, of Garrett, died Saturday at 7:50 a.m. at Miller's Merry Manor.

Friends may call today from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home. Services will be held at the funeral home at 10 a.m. with Lloyd Mealer officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Hilda's wishes were for memorials to the Garrett or Angola Athletic Departments.

Mrs. Mahnesmith was born April 28, 1917, in Garrett. Her parents were J.W. and Eliza (Chambers) Richmond. She and LaVon "Pete" Mahnesmith were married May 3, 1937, in Auburn. He preceded her in death on Sept. 5, 1973. She worked for Dr. Eberhard for four years in Garrett. She was a member of the First Church of Christ.

Survivors include two sons, Joseph Mahnesmith of Auburn and Edward Mahnesmith of Angola; one brother, Earl Richmond of Fremont; two sisters, Evelyn Dalrymple of Fremont and Inez Walters of Coldwater, Mich.; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Bill and Jim Richmond, and two sisters, Alma Burtch and Wanda Richmond.

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Oct 4, 1999

Memorial services held for Garrett native and husband

Memorial services were held September 13 in Homewood, Illinois for Eugene "Gene" Nelson Johnson, 75, and Doris Rose (Dickson) Johnson, 77, who died September 8 at their Illinois home. The couple resided the past 23 years in Hazel Crest, IL home, a suburb of Chicago, and prior to that they lived in South Bend.

The former Doris Dickson was born February 14, 1922 in Garrett and graduated from Garrett High School in 1940. She retired as account clerk for Continental Bank in 1988, was a member of Psi Iota Xi Sorority and the Garrett Order of Eastern Star.

Eugene Johnson was born October 9, 1923 in South Bend. He graduated from Auburn High School in 1941. He retired in 1988 as comptroller for Associated Investment Company in Chicago. He was a member of the Anchorage, Alaska Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite Bodies Valley of South Bend and the Mother Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston. He was a U.S. Army Air Force veteran of World War II.

They are survived by a daughter, Jacquin "Jackie" Herran of Zionsville, and three grandchildren, Erica Nicholas and Andrew Herran.

Mr. Johnson is also survived by a sister, Ellen Wroten of Sacramento, California.

Mrs. Marcella Clabaugh and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rex attended the memorial services.

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Oct 7, 1999

Services held for Ellen Herwig Yanuszeski

Ellen "Jeanne" Herwig Yanuszeski passed away September 2, 1999. She was the daughter of William S. "Bill" Herwig and Ethna Martin Helwig, born on July 7, 1923 in Oklahoma City.

On September 22, 1946 she married Alexander Yanuszeski of Garrett, who survives. She is also survived by a sister and brother-in-law, Robert J. and Marian Morgan, four nephews and their families.

Services were held on Tuesday, September 7 at Mayflower Congregational Church in Oklahoma City, with burial at Fairlawn Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Women's Guild of Mayflower Congregational Church or the Metropolitan Library Fund of Oklahoma City.

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Oct 7, 1999

Services held for Daniel G. Cartwright

Daniel G. Cartwright, 48, died at home in Garrett. Born in Fort Wayne, he worked in the maintenance department at the City-County Building for 1 1/2 years and as a sergeant for the Indiana Department of Corrections for 12 years.

Services took place at 1 p.m. Wednesday at D.O. McComb & Sons Foster Park Funeral Home, 6301 Fairfield Avenue, Ft. Wayne. Burial was in South Park Cemetery, Columbia City.

Survivors include two daughters, Jessica and Mary Cartwright, both of Garrett, a brother, Barry Cartwright of Ft. Wayne, and a sister, Patricia Martin of Quincy, Ind.

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Oct 7, 1999

Services Friday for Baxter B. Vice

Lifelong Garrett resident Baxter B. Vice, 82, died Tuesday, October 5 at 2:20 p.m. at Provena Sacred Heart Home, Avilla.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, October 8 at 1 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home, Garrett. The Rev. Lloyd Mealer will officiate. Visitation will be from 2 until 8 p.m. on Thursday in the funeral home. Burial will take place in Christian Union Cemetery in Garrett.

Born April 20, 1917 in Monon, Ind., his parents were the late Thomas and Etta (Cooper) Vice.

He married Violet E. Fenstermaker on March 4, 1940 in Newville. She survives. Mr. Vice was a conductor on the B&O Railroad for 37 years, retiring in 1978.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by one daughter, Betsy DePew, Garrett, on son, Gary Vice, Columbia City, a sister Margie Pickard of Avilla, five grandchildren and three step-grandchildren.

Six brothers also preceded him in death.

Preferred memorials may be made to the donor's choice.

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Services held Friday for Helen Tarlton

Funeral services were held last Friday evening for Helen Tarlton, 78, who died Tuesday, October 5 in her South Randolph Street home. Dr. R. Larry Smith officiated. Graveside services and burial will follow cremation on Sunday, October 17 at Cedar Creek Cemetery, Garrett. Thomas Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Tarlton was born August 18, 1921 in Tarentum, Pa. to the late George and Veronica (Rezak) Hatas. She married Marion James Tarlton Sr. on June 28, 1940. He preceded her in death in 1960.

She was retired from Dana Corp. in Columbia City as an assembly worker. Mrs. Tarlton was a member of the Auburn Moose Lodge, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary and Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen Auxiliary, Garrett.

Surviving her are three sons, Marion James Tarlton Jr. and James Tarlton Sr. of Garrett, and Steven Tarlton of Huntertown; two daughters, Melanie Bateman of Wolcottville, and Judith DeLucenay of Middleville, Mich.; one brother, Steven Strelec of New Kenningston, Pa., one sister, Emily Malgott of Tarentum, 13 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

One sister, Ann Strelec and one brother, Michael Strelec preceded her in death.

Preferred memorials may be given to the DeKalb County Unit of the American Cancer Society.

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Oct 21-1999

Services Thursday for father of Kim Wickerham

Dr. Steve C. Cuff, 69, died Sunday in his Fort Wayne home.

A native of Nashville, Tennessee, Dr. Cuff was born October 30, 1930. He was a physician/radiologist for ten years at Caylor-Nickel Clinic, Bluffton, where he retired in 1993. He was a member of Southwinds Church.

Services will be held Thursday at 11 a.m. at Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Winchester Road Chapel, Ft. Wayne. Burial is in Lindenwood Cemetery. Preferred memorials to Freed-Hardeman University Scholarship Fund or Lutheran Hospital Transplant Fund.

Survivors include his wife, Renee Cuff of Ft. Wayne; a son, Morgan Cuff of Plano, Texas; four daughter, Jennifer Burroughs of New Carrolton, MD., Rachel Shields of Owensville, KY., Kelley Wickerham of Ft. Wayne and Kim Wickerham of Garrett; a brother, Edwin Cuff of Silver Springs, MD; and eight grandchildren.

Oct 21-1999

Services held for Marilyn Williams

Marilyn L. Wiliams, 69, died Monday in Garrett at her son's South Cowen Street home.

Graveside services were held on Wednesday in Prospect Cemetery in Prospect, Ohio. The Rev. JoAnn Grepski officiated. Gunder/Hall & Folk Funeral Directors, Marion, Ohio, was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Williams was born June 24, 1930 in Fostoria, Ohio to the late John W. and Flora (Lovins) Sekinger.

She married Donald L. Williams who died January 28, 1990.

Surviving are three sons, Ronald L. (Nona) Williams of Marion, Ohio; Randy L. Williams and Rick L. Williams (Heather), all of Garrett; one brother, Michael Sekinger (Nancy) if Yankeetown, Fla.; one sister, Susan Sekinger of Auburn; 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Memorials contributions can be made to DeKalb County Hospice Program.

Oct 25 1999

Calling Friday for Charles Stewart

Charles H. Stewart, 52, of Garrett, died Tuesday, Oct. 26, at 10:58 p.m. in his home.

Friends may call Friday from 5-7 p.m. at the home of Susan and Michael Lewis, 210 West Covell Street. No funeral is planned. Feller Funeral Home, of Waterloo, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the DeKalb County unit of the American Cancer Society.

Mr. Stewart was born May 25, 1947, in Seattle, Wash., to Gordon and Henry (Holmes) Stewart. His mother survives in Reno, Nev.

Surviving with his mother are two sons, Charles H. Stewart Jr. and David Stewart, both of Reno; two daughters and a son-in-law, Bobbi Jo Stewart of Reno and Beth Anne and Loy Roger Slone, of Garrett; three brothers, Jeff, Bruce and Ian, all of Reno; four sisters and a brother-in-law, Virginia Brown, of Tucson, Ariz., Janet Stewart and Anne Lenhares, both of Carson City, Nev., and Susan and Michael Lewis, of Garrett; and five grandchildren, Benjamin, Brook, Breanna, Bryan and Chad.

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Oct 25-1999

Robert J. Morr Sr. services Wednesday

Robert J. Morr Sr., 65, died Friday at 10:20 p.m. at Lutheran Hospital in Ft. Wayne.

Born March 3, 1934 in Kendallville to the late Phillip Merle and Lalah (Nichols) Morr, he was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Auburn and past president of the Auburn Jaycees.

Mr. Morr married Marilyn Wansitler on July 6, 1953 in Lebanon, Va. She survives in Auburn.

He was retired in February 1995 after 42 years at Auburn Foundry as a core room superintendent.

He is survived by two sons, Robert J. Morr Jr, Auburn, and Joseph Morr (Julia) Ashley, and two daughters, Patricia Worthington (David) and Catherine Smith (Timothy) , all of Auburn; two brothers, Phillip M. Morr, Jr. of Kendallville and George Morr of Auburn; a sister, Betty Crager of Pleasant Lake and seven grandchildren.

Preceding him in death was a sister, Roselyn Childers.

Calling will be Tuesday from 2 until 5 and 7 until 9 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo. Services will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Auburn on Wednesday at 11 a.m., with the Rev. William Kaster and Rev. Jeff Fackler officiating.

Burial will be Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett. Memorials may be given to Riley Children's Hospital, Indianapolis.

Nov 1, 1999

Ida Mae DeLong services held

Ida Mae DeLong, 85, died October 27 at 12:20 p.m. at her Kendallville home. She was a homemaker.

Born September 18, 1914 in Corunna, she was the daughter of the late Daniel and Maude (Weirich) Smith.

She married Harold O. DeLong on November 2, 1933 in DeKalb County. He preceded her in death on September 26, 1978.

Mrs. DeLong was past president of the Allen Co. Homemakers Club.

Survivors include six sons, Dale L. and Paul E., both of Avilla; Harold A. of Churubusco; Robert G. of Kendallville, LeRoy and Hugh L., both of Auburn; three daughters, Carolyn Lash and Diana Morse, both of Kendallville, and Loretta Nesbitt of Avilla; 14 grandchildren; 8 step-grandchildren;11 great-grandchildren; 16 step great-grandchildren, and 6 step great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one grandson, Steven DeLong, 2 sisters, Thelma McGiffin and Beatrice Lindsay.

Services were held at Hite Funeral Home on Saturday, October 30, with the Rev. Dean Bearman officiating. Burial followed in the Fairfield Center Cemetery in rural Corunna.

Memorials may be made to the donor's choice.

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Nov 1, 1999

Jack G. Bickley services held

Jack G. Bickley, 68, a former resident of Churubusco, died Wednesday, October 27 at the Bethlehem Woods Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Fort Wayne. He had been a patient there since March.

Mr. Bickley was born March 31, 1931 in Castlewood, Vir., the son of Oscar and Lizzie Couch Bickley, and spent his formative years there.

After completing his military duty in the US Navy CB's, he moved to Arlington, Vir. and was married on October 10, 1969 to Judy E. Woll of Churubusco. The couple moved to Churubusco in 1972, where he was employed as a construction worker.

Mrs. Bickley died on May 4, 1979. He had last lived in Blountville, Tenn. until returning to this area in March.

The surviving relatives include a daughter and son-in-law, Jill and George Parker of Fort Wayne, a son Winston Bickley of Garrett, a sister and brother-in-law, Nell and John Lonan of St. Paul, Vir. and sisters Carolyn Farrier of Newport, Vir. and Joyce Minor of Blountville, Tenn. and a granddaughter, Dorian Parker.

In addition to his parents and his wife, he was preceded in death by three brothers.

Funeral services were held on Saturday in the Sheets Funeral Home in Churubusco, the Rev. E, Vaughn Powell, pastor emeritus of Churubusco United Methodist Church officiated. Internment followed in the Eel River Cemetery, south of Churubusco.

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Nov 4, 1999

Brother of Teresa Schiffli dies in N. M.

A. John Schiffli, 64, died Friday, Oct. 22, at his son's home. He lived in Veguita, N.M., and formerly lived in Waterloo.

A memorial mass will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. in St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church, Waterloo, with Father David Carkenord officiating. The family will receive friends in the church basement following the mass. Burial was in New Mexico. Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, was in charge of local arrangements.

Mr. Schiffli was born June 23, 1935, in Fort Wayne to Adolph and Juanita (Sanders) Schiffli. They preceded him in death.

Surviving him are three sons and one daughter-in-law, Jeff, Gary and Gail, and John, all of New Mexico; two sisters and one brother-in-law, Betty and Donald Hamman, of Waterloo and Teresa Schiffli, of Garrett; nine brothers and five sisters-in-law, Max and Kay of Butler, Richard and Rose of Ashley, David and Jane of Palatine, Ill., and Bob and Donna, Don and Judy, Paul, Steve, Tom and Mark, all of Waterloo; and four grandchildren, all of New Mexico.

One son, Greg, preceded him in death in September 1972.

Memorials are to the DeKalb County Cancer Society or masses for Mr. Schiffli.

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Services Friday for V. Woneta Hook

Nov 4 1999

V. Woneta Hook, 100, of Auburn, died Wednesday, Nov. 3, at Wesley Health Care.

Memorial services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at Woodlawn Cemetery Mausoleum. With calling one hour prior to the service. McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Hook was born April 26, 1899 in Franklin Township, DeKalb County. She was a homemaker and a member of the Auburn Missionary Church.

She is survived by her guardian, Jerold Fry, of Garrett. She was preceded in death by a sister, Edna Layman and two brothers, Ralph and Walter Hook.

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Nov 8 - 1999

Ralph E. Lindemuth services Tuesday

Ralph E. Lindemuth, 87, died Saturday, November 6 at his Ft. Wayne home.

Born July 21, 1912 in Ft. Wayne, he lived in California for 28 years, where he was a retired carpenter.

Lindemuth was a U.S. Army Veteran of World War II and a member of the VFW Post in Garrett and California.

Surviving are his wife Audrea Lindemuth of Ft. Wayne, one daughter, Cindy Halbakken of Ft. Wayne, and three grandchildren.

Services will be Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the D.O. McComb Pine Valley Funeral Home on DuPont Road, Ft. Wayne with calling on Tuesday from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be at Calvary Catholic Cemetery, Garrett. Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society.

Nov 11 - 1999

Theodore E. Smith services to be held on Saturday

Theodore E. Smith, 59, died Saturday, November 6 at his Auburn home.

Born in Kendallville June 4, 1940, he is the son of Lauren J. and Phyllis V. (Renkenberger) Smith.

Mr. Smith lived in Garrett before moving to Auburn in 1971. He had also lived at Hamilton Lake. He was a machinist at Auburn Gear for over 30 years.

He [illegible] member of the Elks, Auburn Moose Lodge, Garrett [illegible] Legion, and the Hamilton [illegible] and Game Club.

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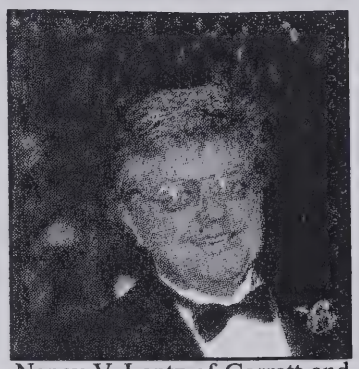

Nancy V. Lantz of Garrett and Patsy J. McDermentt of Huntington.

Services will be held at Thomas Funeral Home, Garrett, on Saturday at 10 a.m. Burial will take place in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Visitation is Friday from 4 until 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Preferred memorials are to Wee Haven or Shelter Ministries.

Robert "Al" Doster services Friday

Robert "Al" Junior Doster, 81, died November 9, 1999 at 1:15 p.m. at Wesley Healthcare in Auburn.

A lifelong Altona resident, Mr. Doster was born there on January 5, 1918, the son of the late Haywood and Dovie Mae (Thompson) Doster.

He married Hazel E. Headley Gerry on October 23, 1967 in Reading, Mich. She survives. He was a fireman on the B&O Railroad at the end of his 33 year career.

He raised his sister Charity Ann Harris's children.

Also surviving are a nephew, Leslie "Duke" Harper of Norwalk, Ohio; a stepson, James Gerry of Edgerton, Ohio; a stepdaughter and her husband, Carole and Bob Bunting of Edgerton, Ohio ; a sister, Mary Belle Andrews of Altona; a brother, Royal Doster of Willard, Ohio; two step grandchildren and two step great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Charity Ann Harris and a neice, "Muff" Harris.

Services will be held at Thomas Funeral Home, Garrett, at 2 p.m. Friday, with the Rev. Arthur G. Ferry officiating. Visitation will be from 2 until 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorials may be made to the donor's choice.

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Brother of Larry Kirkpatrick dies

John "Butch" Kirkpatrick Jr., 56, of near Albion, died Monday, Nov. 8, at 7:45 p.m. at his home.

Services are this morning at 11 a.m. in Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with Rev. Garry Faucett officiating. Burial will be in Rose Hill Cemetery, Albion.

Mr. Kirkpatrick was born May 2, 1943, in Wolf Lake, to John Kirkpatrick Sr. and Willodean (Gaff) Kirkpatrick. His mother survives in Churubusco. He was a lifetime resident of the Albion and Churubusco area and was employed by Dana Spicer Axle Division.

On Nov. 9, 1963, he married Cathy Weber in the Evangelical United Brethren Church. She also survives.

Also surviving are two sons and a daughter-in-law, Tony and Tricia Kirkpatrick, of Albion, and Troy Kirkpatrick, at home; a daughter, Kerri Kirkpatrick, of Fort Wayne; two grandsons, Colton Kirkpatrick and Jordon Hopkins; three brothers, Jack Kirkpatrick, of Auburn, Larry Kirkpatrick, of Garrett and Dick Kirkpatrick, of Rome City and two sisters, Pam Whonsetler,of LaOtto, and Liadia Demaree, of Churubusco.

Memorials are to Parkview Home Health and Hospice of Whitley County.

Sharon Custer funeral Thursday in Michigan

Nov. 18, 1999

Sharon Custer, 44, died of cancer on November 14, 1999 at Home of Hope in Grand Rapids, Mich.

She was born on May 19, 1955 in Garrett.

Survivors include three daughters, Tanya Livergood, address unknown; Sara and Shana Krupp of Grand Rapids, Mich.; her mother Maxine Franks of Garrett; two sisters, Bonnie Morton of Kendallville and Connie Custer of Ashley; two brothers, Daniel Custer of Ft. Wayne and Larry Custer of Garrett.

A brother, Gregory W. Custer II, preceded her in death in 1990.

Her funeral was (or will be) Thursday, Nov. 18 in Grand Rapids.

April Baker, niece of Deanna Langfelt dies in auto accident

April Baker, 20, of Plymouth, died Sunday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, following an auto accident in Fulton County, Indiana.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday at the Johnson Funeral Home in Plymouth, with burial in Oak Hill Cemetery.

She was a niece of Deanna Langfeldt, and cousin to Jon and Deb Langfeldt, all of Garrett.

Survivors include her mother and step-father, Cindy and Charley Myers, of Plymouth; father, Richard Baker, of Indianapolis; grandmothers, Virginia Booker, of Plymouth and Marilyn Emmons, of Walkerton; grandfather, John Slabaugh, of Columbia City; great-grandmother, Callie Cutler, of Culver, and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

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Well known businessman, Harry Heinzerling, dies

Harry DeKalb Heinzerling, 91, died Sunday at Miller's Merry Manor in Garrett.

The family will be receiving friends from 2-8 p.m. Thursday at Thomas Funeral Home. Private graveside services will be held at Cedar Creek Cemetery.

The family requests no flowers. Memorials may be sent to the Garrett Historical Society, P.O. Box 225, Garrett, IN 46738.

Harry was the son of Garrett pioneers, Carl and Pluma (Connelly) Heinzerling. He was born April 29, 1908, in Garrett. He and Thais H. Hamilton were married on July 13, 1929, in Goshen. She survives.

Harry helped his father run the first hardware store in Garrett, until his father's death in 1950.

The store was sold and Harry went to work at the Creek Chub Bait Co., which his father and two partners started in 1906. He served as sales manager from 1951-1978, when the factory was sold to Great American Fishing Supply in Sioux City, Iowa. He served as a director of the Creek Chub Bait Co. and was nationally known for the products he sold in over 30 countries.

Harry was active in the Garrett community, starting the very first Junior Chamber of Commerce, serving as president. He later held offices in the Senior Chamber of Commerce.

He was on the Garrett School Board for 12 years, during the consolidating with Keyser and Butler Townships. He served as president of the Indiana State School Board Assoc., and attended national meetings.

He was director of the Garrett State Bank Holding Corp. and was Director Emeritus of the Garrett State Bank Board of Directors, serving since 1951.

Harry was an avid golfer, playing in the Indiana Open several times and twice in the National P.G.A. tournament.

He was a member of the National Fishing Lure Association, 32nd degree Mason and the Mizpah Shrine.

He was one of the original members of the Garrett and DeKalb County Historical Societies, and a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church.

Surviving with his wife are three daughters, Gretel Smith and Katrina Custer, both of Garrett, and Johanna Gordon-Byanski of Berlin Heights, Ohio; two sons, Derek Heinzerling of Avilla, and Franz Heinzerling of Baltimore, Md.; 19 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild and several step-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Carl Hans Heinzerling.

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Former Mayor C.E. Miller dies

Former Garrett Mayor C. E. Miller, 95, died Thursday, Nov. 18, at 11:53 a.m. in Milwaukee, Wisc. He was a lifelong Garrett resident at 612 South Franklin Street, until moving to Menomonee Falls, Wisc., seven years ago.

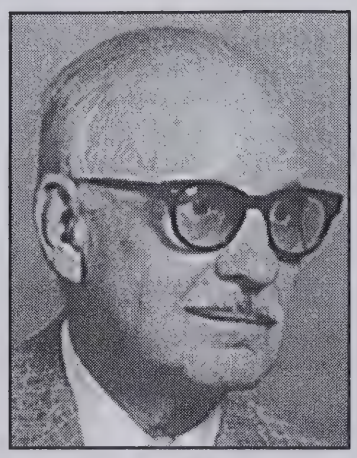
Graveside services will be held Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. at Christian Union Cemetery with Pastor William Haworth officiating.

The family will meet friends following the service from 4-5 p.m. at the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

Memorials in his memory may be given to the Garrett Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Miller served as Garrett's mayor for one term, from 1965-69. He was a Garrett city councilman for six terms, first serving in 194 1. During his tenure with the city, Mr. Miller was very active in the Democrat party and served on every major committee in city government. He also served and was a former president of the DeKalb County Sheriff 's Merit Board. He served on the DeKalb County Tax Adjustment Board in the 1970's.

An avid supporter of the Garrett community, Mr. Miller was active in the Garrett Presbyterian Church, serving on the Board of Trustees many years and was chairman of the



C.E. Miller

building committee when the educational unit was constructed. He also served as a director of the Morrill Foundation. He and his wife, Helen, were the Centennial King and Queen in 1975 when Garrett celebrated its 100th anniversary.

Mr. Miller, who was affectionately called "Cy" by most of his friends, was born March 225 1904. His parents were Agnes (Emig) and A. P. Miller. He and Helen Burlingame were married June 20, 1929, at the Garrett Presbyterian Church. She survives in Menomonee Falls. He was preceded in death by three brothers, R.G. Miller, R.C. Miller and O.P. Miller.

Surviving with his wife are one daughter and son-in-law, Adele and Tom Rebman of Menomonee Falls; two grandchildren, Abigail Meyers of Madison, Wisc., and Andrew Rebman of Medinah, Ill.

Mr. Miller retired in March 1969, after 54 years in the printing business. When he was I I -years-old he became a janitor at The Garrett Clipper and then became a printer's devil to learn the printing trade. Upon graduation from Garrett High School in 1922, he immediately went to work full time at The Clipper. In 1928, he became shop foreman, a position he held until 1957 when he and Johnny Johnston became partners at The Waterloo Press. After two years they sold the business and he set up Miller's Typesetting business at the rear of his home, where he worked until his retirement in 1969.

Cy and Helen remained active after his retirement from business and politics. They were avid antique collectors and very proud of their collection of clocks. He was a member of the National Association of Watch & Clock Collectors for over 20 years. They also were well-known for their furniture refinishing business. They continued both hobbies until their move to Wisconsin to be closer to their daughter and grandchildren.

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Carl W. Heckman

Former Garrett resident, Carl W. Heckman, 97, died on Saturday, November 27, 1999 at Lutheran Homes, Inc. of Ft. Wayne.

Born August 11, 1902 in Adams County, Mr. Heckman was a farmer and retired from Western Auto in 1967 after 16 1/2 years as a stockkeeper.

His first wife, Elsie Roembke Heckman died March 5, 1980. He is survived by his second wife, Alice L. Heckman from Garrett.

Mr. Heckman was a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Garrett, and formerly served as a volunteer at Lutheran Hospital.

Other survivors include a son, Maurice F. Heckman of Ft. Wayne; three daughters, Imogene Bultemeier of Ossian, Betty Schroeder of Auburn, and Donna Fenner of Cincinnati; a sister, Ann Kensill of Ft. Wayne; a step-son Harry Jackson of Garrett; two step-daughters, Sandra Butcher of Titusville, Fla. and Karen Miller of Garrett, 13 grandchildren, 12 step-grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren, 8 great-great grandchildren and 29 step-great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Sophia Heckman, four brothers, three sisters and a stillborn son.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, December 1 at Lutheran Home Chapel, 6701 S. Anthony, Ft. Wayne, with calling on Tuesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at Elzey & Haggard Home for Funerals, 6810 Old Trail Road, Ft. Wayne and from 12:20 p.m. until service time Wednesday at the Lutheran Home Chapel.

Burial will be in Oak Lawn Cemetery, Ossian.

Preferred memorials are to Zion Lutheran Church, Garrett, or to the donor's choice.

Agnes O. Hinsey

Agnes 0. Hinsey, 95, died Wednesday at her residence in Angola. Born in Noble County, she was a member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church and a homemaker.

Survivors include daughters, Agnes Hinsey and Mary Ann John of Angola, five grandchildren, seven great grandchildren, and 2 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Virginia Mae, five brothers, and three sisters.

Mass of Christian burial was held on Saturday at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 1100 South Calhoun Street, Fort Wayne. McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, 502 N. Main Street, Auburn, was in charge of the arrangements. Burial was in Catholic Cemetery, Fort Wayne. Memorials may be given to The American Lung Cancer Association or Masses.

Donald Bradley

Donald Bradley, 75, died Wednesday, Nov. 24, 1999 at his daughter's home in Cecil, Ohio.

Mr. Bradley was a former supervisor at Bauman-Harnish of Garrett. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He was born October 10, 1924 in Dunbar Pa., to Harry and Emma (Mason) Bradley.

He married LaVon G. (Kester) Bradley on July 23, 1970 in Michigan. She died Aug. 31, 1996.

Surviving are a son, Raymond (Dan) of Fishers; a daughter Deborah Woodward of Cecil, Ohio; a brother, Robert of Pennsylvania and a sister, Margaret Murray, also of Pennsylvania; two step-daughters, June Dickson of Auburn and Virginia Haas of Garrett, six grandchildren; eight step-grandchildren and 12 step great-grandchildren.

Three brothers and four sisters preceded him in death.

Services were held Sunday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Burial followed in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn. Memorials are to Paulding Hospice.

Isiah "Ise" L. Runion

Lifetime Altona resident Isiah "Ise" L. Runion, 92, died Sunday, November 28, 1999 at 10:05 a.m. at Muncie Health & Rehab. Center, Muncie.

Born August 30, 1907 in Altona, Mr. Runion was the son of the late Edward L. and Suzanna (Bair) Runion.

Mr. Runion married Josephine Boren on June 1, 1933 in Garrett. She survives. A lifelong Altona resident, he moved to Muncie in 1998. He was a crew dispatcher on the B & O Railroad for 45 years, retiring in 1970. He was a member of the Garrett Masonic Lodge for 54 years.

Also surviving are a daughter, Suzanna Ober, Yorktown, Ind., two grandsons, Michael Ober of Avon, and Kevin Ober of Indianapolis, a granddaughter, Pamela Schacht of Zionsville and five great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by five brothers and two sisters.

Services will take place on Wednesday, Dec. 1 at 10 a.m. at Thomas Funeral Home, Garrett, with Fr. Charles Herman officiating.

Calling will be from 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday at Thomas Funeral Home, with Masonic Services following at 8 p.m.. Burial will follow in The Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorials may be made to the donor's choice.

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Alfred Fields

Alfred Fields, 77, died at 11:42 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30, 1999 at his South Peters Street home in Garrett.

Mr. Fields worked for Garrett Tubular Co., for 23 years and also as a self-employed furniture upholsterer. He retired in 1984.

He was born on April 30, 1922 in Menifee County, Ky. to Hiram and Annie (Wells) Fields. On Sept. 8, 1938 in Menifee County, he married Mildred Stamper, who survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, Louise Barth of Kimmell, Verneda Molargik of Auburn, Lillian Kinsey of Garrett and Betty Rose of Wawaka; three sisters, Grace Helton and Pauline Carpenter, both of Auburn, and Eva Mason of Hamilton; 11 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Dorsey Fields and a half-brother, Howard Meadows.

Services will be held Friday at 1:30 in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with Pastor Larry R. Smith of the Garrett United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Calling will be from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home.

Memorials are to Visiting Nurse Services Hospice, P.O. Box 12869, Fort Wayne, In 46866-2869.

Patricia R. Shafer

Patricia R. Shafer, 76, of S. Randolph Street, died at 1:01 p.m. Wednesday, December 1, 1999 at the White County Memorial Hospital, Monticello, Indiana after a lengthy illness.

Born in Hutchinson, Kansas on December 26, 1922, she married Orie T. Shafer, Sr. on December 18, 1948. He preceded her in death Sept. 30, 1983.

She is survived by a daughter, Rebecca N. Gibson of Garrett; one son, Orie T. Shafer, Jr. of Monticello; two grandsons, Orie T. Shafer III of Seattle, Wash. and William A. Shafer of Monticello.

Services will be on Friday, December 3, 1999 at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett at 11 a.m. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. until service time on Friday morning in the funeral home. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the donor's choice.

Isiah Runion

Services were held on Wednesday at Thomas Funeral Home for Isiah "Ise" L. Runion. Mr. Runion, 92, died Sunday, Nov. 28, at Muncie Health and Rehab Center, Muncie. Serving as pallbearers were Carl Gerber, Erle Andrews, Clayton Maggert, Robert Bloom, Dick Kresse, Jack Flory and Marv Hall.

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Joanne Helmsing

Joanne I. Helmsing, 69, died Thursday, Dec. 2, 1999 at her home in New Haven.

She was a former manager-owner of the Fountain Bleu Restaurant.

She was born in Fort Wayne. Her husband, Gerald F., preceded her in death in 1997.

Surviving is a sister, Margaret Randol of Garrett, other survivors include a daughter, Pamela Forbing of Fremont; two sons David Taylor of Fort Wayne and Ronald T. Taylor of New Haven; two other sisters, Janice Grover of Fort Wayne and Lillian Bartrom of Salt Springs, Fla.; a brother Don R. St. John of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services were held this morning in E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, New Haven. Burial was in Catholic Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorials are to Parkview Home Health & Hospice or to Wee Haven, Garrett.

Mary C. Noel

Mary C. (Reinhart) Noel, 80, died Friday, December 3, 1999 at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

She was a nurse for 25 years for Dr. Sanders and Dr. Bonnell Souder at Sacred Heart and Garrett Community Hospitals.

Born August 15, 1919 in Auburn, she married Ralph A. Noel who died in 1997.

She was a member of the DeKalb Co. Historical Society, DeKalb Farm Bureau Township Unit and the Altarstar Methodist Church, Garrett.

Survivors include two sons, John Noel of Lake James, and David Noel of Rockford, Ill., a brother, John Reinhart of Butler and a sister, Annabelle Yoder of Auburn two grandchildren.

Services will be held on Monday, December 6 at 11 a.m. at McComb, Dilgard & Cline, Auburn. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery, Garrett. Preferred memorials are to the Garrett High School Athletic Department.

William C. "Bill" Gulick

William C. "Bill" Gulick Jr., 78, died Friday at St. Joseph Hospital Fort Wayne.

Born in Auburn, he was a World War II Army veteran and retired after more than thirty years as a machinist at Auburn Warner Gear.

Surviving are his wife, Violet; a son, Butch of Waterloo; a daughter, Kay Newman of Los Alamos, NM; a sister, Harriet M. Shellenberger of Garrett; four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren

Services at 11 a.m. Tuesday at H.E. Johnson and Son Funeral Home, Butler, with calling from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Monday. Burial in Eddy Cemetery, Hamilton.

Memorials to American Heart Association.

Marjorie E. Raschke

Marjorie E. Raschke, 75, died Saturday, December 4, 1999 at Regency Place, Ft. Wayne.

She was born February 8, 1924 in Ft. Wayne. On December 20, 1945, she married Robert D. Raschke in Ft. Wayne. He survives.

She was an accountant with the City-County Building for thirty years, retiring in 1992.

Mrs. Raschke was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church and active in the Bloomingdale School Alumni Assoc. She was an avid card player.

Also surviving are a son, Daniel R. Raschke of Lafayette and a daughter, Kay L. Smith of Garrett; 4 grandchildren and one great-grandson.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Paul Dunlap.

Services will be Tuesday, Dec. 7 at 10 a.m. at D. O. Mc Comb, Lakeside Park, Ft. Wayne. Calling will be on Monday from 2-5 and 7-9 at the funeral home. Burial will be in Lindenwood Cemetery, Ft. Wayne.

Preferred memorials are to Trinity United Methodist Church.

Audrey C. Lindemuth

Audrey C. Lindemuth, 76, died Saturday, December 4, 1999 a Miller's Merry Manor, Garrett.

Born February 12, 1923 in Garrett to she married Ralph E. Lindemuth on May 24, 1958 in Garrett. He died November 6, 1999. Mr Lindemuth was a homemaker.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Dale (Cindy) Halbakken of F Wayne; two grandsons, Greg Kraft of Auburn and Eric Halbakken c Oregon, and a granddaughter, Debbie Sharp of Ft. Wayne. She als had three great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by two sisters and a brother.

Services will be Tuesday at 1 p.m. at McComb, Dilgard & Clin Funeral Home in Auburn, with visitation at the funeral hom from 10:30 a.m. until time for the service.

Burial will be in Calvary Catholic Cemetery, Garrett.

Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society.

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Loretta C. Redman

Loretta C. Redman, 95, died November 10, 1999, at 1:15 a.m. at the Regency Convalescent Center in Puyalluup, Wash. Mrs. Redman had been a resident of the center since breaking a hip in July.

She was a resident of Auburn and a graduate of Auburn High School, cum laude, in 1921. She worked for the Knapp Abstracting Company before acquiring the DeKalb County Realty, which then became the Auburn Abstract Title and Insurance Co. As owner-operator, she was in business approximately 35 years before retiring. During the forties, she also served as DeKalb County Clerk for eight years.

Born Loretta Catherine Gallagher on October 5, 1904 in Chicago, she was the last survivor of 6 boys and 2 girls. Her father, Thomas Gallagher, was formerly a Chicago Street Car operator and her mother, Mary Ellen Keating Gallagher was born in Ireland.

Surviving are one daughter, Eileen A. Anders, one granddaughter, Lisa K. Broderick and one great-grandson, Jerry D. Broderick, all of Seattle, Wash., two stepdaughters, Mrs. Mary Jo Putt of Angola, and Mrs. Jean Seitzer of Topeka, Kansas; six stepgrandchildren and numerous great-great grandchildren on the Redman, Switzer and Gallagher sides of the family.

She had been married for 40 years to S.O. Redman, who was a master mechanic on the B&O Railroad prior to his death in 1986. Since that time, she had been living with her daughter and son-in-law, Capt. H.B. Anders (retired United Air Lines) of Seattle. Both she and Mr. Redman were well known in the Lake George, Ft. Wayne, Garrett and Auburn area. Final interment will be the Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Thomas E. Treesh

Thomas E. Treesh, 63, died unexpectedly on Sunday, Decem ber 5, 1999 at 4:33 a.m. in Hicksville, Ohio.

A resident of Edgerton, Ohio for 37 years, Mr. Treesh worke as a tool and dye maker at Regent Manufacturing in Edgerton.

He was born March 30, 1936 in Garrett to Iver A. and Lanor H. (Hurd) Treesh, both deceased. He was a 1954 graduate o Garrett High School and a military veteran. On December 1 1962 he married Betty M. Weible in Garrett. She survives i Edgerton.

Other survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Machelle A and Danny Mason of Hudson; a son and daughter-in-law, Timo thy L. and Sandy Treesh of Garrett and two grandchildren. He i also survived by a sister, Barbara Vollmer of Edgerton and tw brothers, Roger Treesh of Butler and Keith Treesh of Auburn.

Two brothers, Marvin Treesh and Gary Treesh preceded him i death.

Services will be Thursday, December 9 at 2 p.m. at McKe Miles Funeral Home with the Rev. George A. Cecil of th Cornerstone Wesleyan Church of Albion officiating. Burial will follow at Sweet Cemetery, Albion.

Preferred memorials are to Cornerstone Wesleyan Church, Albion.

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John F. (Jack) DeVeny

John F. (Jack) DeVeny, native of Garrett and former Fort Wayne resident, died Thursday, December 9, 1999 in Lancaster, California. **Memorial services will be held on Thursday, Dec. 19 at 1 p.m. PST at Joshua Memorial Park and Mortuary in Lancaster. Internment will be at a later date at Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.**

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Marjory Ott DeVeny of Lancaster, a daughter, Janice True of Littlerock, Cal.; a son, Jack DeVeny of Lakewood, Cal.; four grandchildren, Cassandra Hyman and Harry Lee True III of Littlerock, and Lindsay and Logan DeVeny of Lakewood. He is also survived by two step-brothers, Wayne Haynes of Auburn and James Haynes of Garrett, two step-sisters, Mary Wolf of Garrett and Betty Jean Schultz of Lakeside, Cal.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the John F. (Jack) DeVeny Memorial Fund, Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren, 5952 Co. Rd. 7, Garrett, IN 46738.

Elsa Buckner

Elsa Linnea Olson Buckner, 92, died Sunday, Dec. 5, 1999, in her home in LaGrange County.

She was born in Winburne, Pa., Aug. 9, 1907, to Swedish immigrants. Her father worked as a coal miner and died at a young age. Her mother came to America as an indentured servant.

Mrs. Buckner was the third of nine children raised by the Olsons in Winburne. As a young lady she attended and graduated from Taylor University in Upland. She sang soprano as a member of the women's quartet and she met her husband, Mason, at Taylor where he was a tenor with the men's quartet. The couple were married for 67 years.

They were in the Methodist ministry until about 1947 when they both began teaching. In 1950, Mrs. Buckner was the head of the speech department and in charge of the debate team. She also taught sociology, psychology, criminology, play production and was on the lyceum committee for Taylor University. She was a former Garrett Elementary teacher. She retired from teaching when she was 62 years old and decided to get another degree. She graduated from Penn State when she was 68 years old with her Ph.D.

Since she was not inclined to sit a rocking chair," she started writing a book. Her first book was a biography of her brother's work in the field of Christians /Jewish relationships. She was awarded the Book of the Year Award by the National Conference of Christians and Jews in New York City. Her next book was The Epic Tradition in Gosta Berlings Saga Saga," a book about a very famous European author named Selma Lagerlot who received the Nobel Prize in literature in 1909.

Her next work was a translation of Swedish into English of a book given her by the Denmark chief of police chronicling the lives of the Danes during World War 11 who risked their lives by hiding Jews in their homes for many years. She had begun working on her fourth book, the Olson family biography, which will unfortunately remain unfinished.

She is survived by her husband, and four children, Lowell Buckner and Steve Gavin, both of San Francisco, Joyce, of San Angelo, Texas, and David of Ligonier; a brother, Arnold Olson of Kendallville; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Three sisters and four brothers preceded her in death.

Services were held on Thursday, Dec. 9 in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, followed by an open house at the Buckner farm and burial was in South Milford Cemetery.

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Patsy Leland

Patsy Leland, 52, died Saturday, Dec. 11, 1999, in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn. She was a homemaker.

She was born May 20, 1947, in Angola. Her husband, Lowell Leland, preceded her in death.

Surviving her are four daughters and three sons-in-law, Patty Leland of Garrett, Florance and John Padgett of St. Joe, June and Jimmy Collins of Ligonier, and Gloria and Delsley Sizemore of Waterloo; one son, Robert Leland of Michigan; three stepsons, Wayne Leland of Florida, LeRoy Leland of Michigan, and Ronald Leland of Waterloo; one stepdaughter and stepson-in-law, Dianna and Michael Richardson of Waterloo; one brother, Robert B. Boyle of Michigan; two sisters, Sharon Dean of Wisconsin and Rose Mary Boyle of Angola; two stepbrothers, Gene Rowe of Angola and John Rowe of Albion; two stepsisters, Mary Ann Warner of Waterloo and Ethel Jennings of Columbus, Ohio; 15 grandchildren, six stepgrandchildren and five stepgreat-grandchildren.

Services will be held Thursday at 1 p.m. in McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn, with calling after noon. Burial will be in the Sedan Cemetery.

Echo Sliger

Echo L. Sliger, 71, died Tuesday, Dec. 14, 1999, at her Garrett home.

Mrs. Sliger was a homemaker and a member of Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren and the Heimach Senior Center.

She was born July 20, 1928, in Shepherd, Mich., to Joseph and Hazel (Tharpe) Shanahan.

She married Joseph Sliger on Sept. 5, 1948, in Shepherd, Mich. He survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Mark W. and John P., both of Garrett; one daughter, Ruth L. Aschleman of Kendallville; two sisters, Patricia Rau of Mount Pleasant, Mich., and Sharon Bardleau of Lansing, Mich.; and six grandchildren.

One grandson and three sisters preceded her in death.

Services will be held Friday at 11 a.m. in Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren, in rural Auburn. The Rev. Donald Shankster will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Calling is Thursday from 4-8 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Memorials are to the Heifer Project or the Manchester College Music Department.

Deaths and tributes

Mary (Brennan) Higgins

Mrs. Regis W. Higgins, 83, formerly Mary Brennan of Ga died Tuesday morning, December 14, 1999 at Hospice of Da in Dayton, Ohio.

Mrs. Higgins was born in Garrett on December 3, 1916 daughter of the late Peter R. and Agnes (Lauby) Brennan. family resided at 414 South Randolph Street for many years.

She graduated from Garrett High School in 1934. She studied at the Withey School of Dramatic Art in Ft. Wayne, then taught elocution in Garrett, mainly to children, until her riage to Regis W. Higgins in St. Joseph Catholic Church in rett on December 29, 1940.

The Higgins residence is at 146 Lakeview Drive, Center Ohio 45459. Her husband survives along with one daughter son-in-law, Constance and John R. Loy of Charleston, West ginia, two sons and daughters-in-law, Michael R. and Mar Higgins of Centerville and Brian W. and Karen I. Higgin Memphis, Tennessee; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Bernar and Lucy Brennan and John W. and Marjorie Brennan of Gar a sister and brother-in-law, Jeanne and Gerry Meier of Win Minnesota; eight grandchildren and numerous nieces nephews.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Margaret Lutt and Gertrude Dalton.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at the Church of Incarnation in Centerville on Friday at 10:30 a.m. Burial in Calvary Catholic Cemetery in Dayton.

If desired, memorials may be made to St. Joseph School, West Houston, Street, Garrett, or to Hospice of Dayton, P.O. 3409, Dayton, Ohio 45401.

Relatives from Garrett attending the funeral services were and Mrs Bernard R. Brennan, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Brennan, David E. Brennan, a nephew.

Deaths and tributes

Lawanda "Billie" Hartsock

Lawanda "Billie" Hartsock, 84, of Sidney, Ohio, died December 10, 1999 at the Dorothy Love Retirement Center in Sidney. She was born September 27, 1915 in Garrett, Indiana, the daughter of Paul and Alvena (Einkopf) Diederich.

She had been employed at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base from 1942 to 1958. On March 15, 1945, she was married to Harold Hartsock and he preceded her in death on October 4, 1969. She was also preceded in death by her parents, both in 1974; and by her step-son, Donald Hartsock, in 1983.

She is survived by 2 step-sons and their wives, Neil and Margaret Hartsock, of Xenia; Jack and Lanette Hartsock, of Xenia; 2 cousins and their spouses, Holly and Leonard Woods, of Fort Wayne, Indiana; Mary and Max Sprunger, of New Haven, Indiana; many other relatives and dear friends.

It was her request that her remains would be donated to Wright State University. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

McColaugh Funeral Home, 826 North Detroit Street, Xenia, Ohio was in charge of arrangements.

Steven Zachary Walton

Airman Basic Steven Zachary Walton, 19, of rural Ossian, died Sunday, Dec. 19, 1999, at 3:08 p.m. at Pensacola Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla., of an apparent heart attack while playing basketball.

He was born July 14, 1980, at Aurora, Colo.

A 1999 Norwell High School graduate, he was in the U.S. Air Force as an aircraft structural maintenance apprentice. He was a member of Ossian First Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are his father and stepmother, Steven R. and Lynn Walton, of Tucson, Ariz.; his mother and stepfather, Terri R. and Walter Jutte, of rural Ossian; a sister, Alisha R. Walton, of rural Ossian; his grandparents, Rosemary and John R. Walton, of Garrett, and Emily Strader, of Fort Wayne; three stepsisters, Jessica Webb, of South Berwick, Maine, and Tanya and Cassidi Smith, both of Tucson, Ariz.; two stepbrothers, Shad Smith, of Tucson, Ariz., and Christopher Jutte of Bluffton; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services will be held today at 1:30 p.m. at Ossian First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Lyle Ewing officiating. Burial is in Covington Memorial Gardens, Fort Wayne, with full military rites.

Elzey & Haggard Funeral Home, Ossian Chapel was in charge of the arrangements.

Memorials may be given to the Ossian First Presbyterian Church or the American Heart Association.

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Deaths and tributes

Kevin Scott "Vern" Krider

Kevin Scott "Vern" Krider, 37, died on Thursday, December 23, 1999 at 11:25 p.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, from injuries he received in a hit-run accident early Tuesday morning on Lima Road.

Mr. Krider was born August 27, 1962 in Fort Wayne. He was raised in Iowa and lived in Fort Wayne for ten years. He was a veteran of the US Navy, serving from 1980-1984. Mr. Krider was employed as a machinist and was a member of the Escorts Motorcycle Club.

He married Mary Joe Guertin in Garrett on January 13, 1996. She survives in Garrett.

Additional survivors include his father and step-mother, Stanley and Gardis Krider of LaMars, Iowa; his mother and step-father, Carol and Bob Beasely of Scottsdale, AZ; two step-sons, Joseph and James Golojch of Garrett; a step-daughter, Mary Golojch of Garrett, a step-granddaughter, Maranda Rochele Yarian of Garrett; two sisters, Denise Guess of Redbank, Tenn., and Renee Johnson of Acworth. Georgia; paternal grandparents, Joe W. and Grace Krider of Churubusco and maternal grandmother, Jessie Harwick of Fort Wayne.

Calling began Sunday and will continue on Monday, December 27 from 4 until 6 p.m. at McKee Miles Funeral Home, Garrett. Services will be at 6 p.m. Monday at the funeral home, with the Rev. Earl Terry officiating.

Memorials may be made to the donor's choice.

News in brief

Hit-run injuries fatal to Garrett man

Kevin S. Krider, 37, of Garrett, died late Thursday from injuries he received when he was struck by an unknown vehicle on Lima Road on Tuesday at 5:08 a.m.

The hit and run accident is now being treated as a homicide.

Krider suffered a broken leg and serious head injuries in the accident. He had been listed in critical condition in Parkview Hospital, according to Ft. Wayne Police Department information officer, Tom Rhodes.

A witness told police that Krider had been walking along the road with his stepson to talk over a disagreement after the two got our of a vehicle driven by the victim's wife.

The witness said a white or tan colored station wagon, possibly an Escort or a Volvo, pulled into a turn land at 7200 Lima Road and stuck Krider. The vehicle then fled the scene, continuing northbound on Lima Road toward Cook Road, where the vehicle turned east.

The incident is under investigation by the Fort Wayne Police Department's Traffic Homicide Team, the Allen County Coroner's office and the Allen County Prosecutor's Office.

Anyone with any information about the incident is asked to call the Fort Wayne Police Department at 427-1318.

An obituary for Mr. Krider appears on page 3 of today's Garrett Clipper.

Deaths and tributes

Carolyn Abernathy

Carolyn B. Combs Fenters Abernathy, 46 died Monday, December 20, 1999 in Tolleson, Arizona, after a long illness.

She was born in Garrett March 6, 1953, and lived in DeKalb County.

Survivors include her husband, Allen Abernathy of Tolleson; two sons, Robert Combs Pope of Spring Lake, N. C. and Tracy Lynn Fenters; two daughters, Ang'elic Sue and Laura Lee Fenters; one granddaughter, Sarah E. Pope of Smithfield, N.C.; her mother, Phyllis L. Grim-Davis of Hamilton; four brothers, Darwin W. Combs and Marion L. Waters, both of Garrett, Claude L, Combs of Butler, and John A. Combs of Hamilton; two sisters, Lana Combs Pope of Benson, N.C. and Anna Melesher of Angola.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Phyllis A. Waters.

Services will be held Thursday at 1 p.m. in Oberlin Ford Funeral Home, Hamilton.

Ben Hatton

Ben Hatton, 75, LaOtto, died Sunday, December 26, 1999 at 9:13 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne,

He was born August 11, 1924, in Vancleve, Ky. to Ben and Jane (McPherson) Hatton.

He married Nora Harmon on May 10, 1947, in Auburn, She survives.

Mr. Hatton was a machine operator for Conrail for 42 years, retiring in 1984. He was a member of the Lee City Church of God in Lee City, Ky.

Also surviving are five sons, Benny, Jim, Lloyd, Dean and John, all of Garrett; four daughters, Wanda Swonger and Carrie Lanning, both of Garrett, Kathy Rusher of Fort Wayne and Debra Leeman of Kendallville; three brothers, Carl, Orpheus, both of LaOtto, and George of Fort Wayne; six sisters, Dorothy Bickel of Falmouth, Ky., Opal Landsaw and Betty Stoffer of Fort Wayne, Miranda Hatton of Blue Lake, Opsy Terry of Hunter Lake and Viola Murray of Garrett; 17 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by tow sons, Robert and Don.

Services were held at 10 a.m., Wednesday, December 29 in Thomas Funeral Home, Garrett. The Rev. Forrest Van Gundy officiated. Burial was in Swan Cemetery, LaOtto.

Russell Clare Stevens

Russell Clare Stevens, 91, died Friday, December 24, 1999 in Seguin, Texas.

He was born February 12, 1908 to Arthur Garfield and Edith Marie Hall Stevens. He married Wilma O. Shreve on November 4, 1929; she preceded him in death May 24, 1992.

Surviving are one son, William A. Stevens of Seguin, Texas one daughter and son-in-law, Esther and Richard Hollis of Garrett; five grandchildren, including Beth Novy of Garrett, and 13 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Stevens resided in Garrett with his family from 1943 to 1950, and was employed in advertising with the Journal Gazette.

Graveside services were held Wednesday, December 29 1999 at Guadalupe Valley Memorial Park, Seguin, with the Rev. Carl McCauley officiating.

Mary Kearns

Mary "Leadesia" Kearns, 36, died Monday, December 27, 1999 at 7:59 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

She was born in South Carolina on April 28, 1963, the daughter of Durand and Mary Jo Hornsby Sommers.

She married Ronald L. Kearns on March 1, 1995 in Auburn, and he survives. They resided in Garrett for five years.

She is also survived by her mother, Mary Jo Hornsby; a son Billy Calvert, Garrett; two daughters, Casey Nickels, of Bristol Va., and Jennifer Hinson of South Carolina; two brothers, Randy Sommers of South Carolina and Lee Sommers of North Carolina and a sister, Mary Elizabeth Nickels of Bristol, Va.

She was preceded in death by her father.

Visitation will be 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Thursday at Thomas Funeral Home, Garrett. Services will be held on Friday December 31, 1999 at 10 a.m. at the funeral home, the Rev Arthur G. Ferry, Jr., officiating. Burial will be in the Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Katherine Ruth Kenworthy

Katherine Ruth Kenworthy, 71, of Clearwater, Fla., formerly Decatur, died on Thursday, Dec. 23. **Graveside services were held on Wednesday in Decatur Cemetery with the Rev. John Fuchs officiating.**

She was born March 7, 1928, in Arcola, to Emil and Louise (Savieo) Keifer. On July 31, 1948, she married Robert V. Kenworthy. He preceded her in death May 27, 1979.

Surviving is a sister, Dorothy M. Stalter of Garrett. Other survivors are a daughter, Linda K. Simpson of Longwood, Fla., a son Bruce A. Kenworthy of Tampa, Fla., and two granddaughters.

Also preceding her in death was a brother, Emil "Bud" Keifer J

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